BARBADOS CRICKET ASSOCIATION

SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND MATCH SCHEDULE DOCUMENT APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BARBADOS CRICKET ASSOCIATION (BCA)

Matches in all competitions shall be played under:

- The Laws of Cricket 2017 CODE (3rd edition - 2022), subject to such variations as the Board may from time to time direct and notify in writing to clubs.
- **The Umpires shall be SOLE JUDGES of the fitness of the pitch and physical conditions for play**
- BCA Code of Conduct for Players and Players Support Personnel
- The Rules of the Barbados Cricket Association
- ***In the event of a conflict between any of the BCA Competitions' Playing Conditions and the BCA Special Conditions and Regulations of Play, the latter shall prevail.***
- ***In the event of a conflict between the BCA Code of Conduct for Players and Players Support Personnel and the BCA Special Conditions and Regulations of Play, the latter shall prevail.***
- All clubs by virtue of their participation in this competition are deemed to be bound by ALL the terms and conditions stipulated in any of the BCA Competitions' Playing Conditions, the Rules of the Barbados Cricket Association, and the SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND REGULATIONS OF PLAY APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BARBADOS CRICKET ASSOCIATION (BCA) (this document), **and are further deemed to have waived their rights under paragraph 19 and 20 of the BCA Rules**.

All references to *Board*, shall mean *The Board of Directors of the Barbados Cricket Association*, and to *Secretariat* shall mean *The Secretariat of the Barbados Cricket Association*

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1 RESPONSIBILITY OF MEMBER CLUBS

Member Clubs are responsible to the Barbados Cricket Association (hereinafter referred to as "The Association") for the conduct of their members, players and officials when on the premises of the Association or on any other premises where cricket matches are being played or cricket activities are taking place under the aegis of the Association.

Clubs must take every reasonable precaution to prevent any player or spectator from issuing any threat to or assaulting any Umpire, official, player support personnel or other player either before, during or after any cricket match or cricket activity under the aegis of the Association, whether on its premises, or on any grounds of the Club or a participating Club.

2 PREAMBLE – THE SPIRIT OF CRICKET

Cricket is a game that owes much of its appeal and enjoyment to the fact that it should be played not only according to the Laws (which are incorporated within these Playing Conditions), but also within the Spirit of Cricket.

The major responsibility for ensuring fair play rests with the captains, but extends to all players, umpires and, especially in junior cricket, teachers, coaches and parents.

Respect is central to the Spirit of Cricket.

Respect your captain, team-mates, opponents and the authority of the umpires.

Play hard and play fair.

Accept the umpire's decision.

Create a positive atmosphere by your own conduct, and encourage others to do likewise.

Show self-discipline, even when things go against you.

Congratulate the opposition on their successes, and enjoy those of your own team.

Thank the officials and your opposition at the end of the match, whatever the result.

Cricket is an exciting game that encourages leadership, friendship and teamwork, which brings together people from different nationalities, cultures and religions, especially when played within the Spirit of Cricket.

The Captains are responsible for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of Cricket as well as within the Laws.

3 PROMOTION AND RELEGATION

a) The winners of the various divisions with the exception of the Elite and Second Divisions or as noted hereunder shall be promoted.

b) From the BCA 2017 season, no School team shall be eligible for promotion beyond the Intermediate Division.

c) If the winner of any division is ineligible for promotion, the second placed team shall be promoted.

d) Only the winners of divisions or teams which have placed second shall be eligible for promotion.

e) In the Second Division the winner shall have the option to remain in that Division. In the event that no promotion takes place, no relegation from the intermediate division shall ensue.

f) No Club shall have more than one (1) team in any Division.

g) If a team has been relegated but also has a team which has won the lower division and therefore qualifies for promotion to the same Division from which it has been relegated then the status quo remains, i.e. no team will be promoted from the lower division and none will be relegated from the higher division or that club will retain teams in each division

h) With regard to relegation, however, if a Club which is to be relegated already has a team competing in the lower Division, then one of the teams will be relegated to the next lower Division, if any. If, however, a team

is relegated to the Second Division and already has a team in that Division the Club will only be allowed to field one (1) team.

i) If a team having placed in a position not subject to demotion in the league competition but opts out of the league competition in the following season, no demotion shall occur in that division; however, the winner of the competition in the next lower league shall be promoted to fill the declining team's place. That club having opted out of the season or BCA competitions can apply for re-admission to the BCA thereafter and their level of participation will be determined by the Board of Management

3.1 Elite Division

a) The last placed team, excluding BCA Youth, shall be relegated to the First Division. For the avoidance of any doubt, if the BCA Youth is the team with the least number of points at the end of the season, the team which has placed in the position immediately above shall be relegated.

b) In the event that the team to be relegated, cannot be clearly determined the following shall apply in order of priority:

i) The team with the highest number of outright wins (excluding wins by default) shall be the higher placed team; or if applicable

ii) The team with the higher net runs per wicket ratio shall be considered the higher placed team.

c) The winner of the First Division (excluding the BCA Youth team) shall be promoted to the Elite Division.

3.2 First Division

a) The winner of the First Division (excluding the BCA Youth team) shall be promoted to the Elite Division.

b) The last placed team (excluding BCA Youth) in the First Division shall be relegated to the Intermediate Division. For the avoidance of any doubt, if the BCA Youth is the team with the least number of points at the end of the season, the team which has placed in the position immediately above it shall be relegated

c) The Winner of the Intermediate Division shall be promoted to the First Division.

d) The last placed team (excluding BCA Youth) in the Elite Division shall be relegated to the First Division. For the avoidance of any doubt, if the BCA Youth is the team with the least number of points at the end of the season the team which has placed in the position immediately above it shall be relegated.

e) In the event that the team to be relegated or promoted cannot be clearly determined it shall be determined as in 3.1 b) i) and 3.1b) ii).

3.3 Intermediate

a) The winner of the Intermediate Division (excluding School teams) shall be promoted to the First Division.

b) In the event that the winner is ineligible for promotion because of 3.3 a) above, the team which placed second in the competition shall be promoted.

c) The winner of the Second Division Competition shall have the option to remain in the Second Division. If the winner exercises that option and decides to remain in the Second Division the team which placed second in the competition shall have the right to be promoted in place of the team which has elected not to exercise its right to be promoted.

d) The last placed team (excluding BCA Youth) in the First Division shall be relegated to the Intermediate Division. For the avoidance of any doubt, if the BCA Youth is the team with the least number of points at the end of the season the team which has placed in the position immediately above it shall be relegated.

e) The team (excluding School teams) which has the least number of points in the Intermediate Division, irrespective of the Zone in which it competed, shall be relegated to the Second Division.

f) In the event that the team to be relegated or promoted cannot be clearly determined it shall be determined as in 3.1 b) i) and 3.1 b) ii).

3.4 Second Division

a) The winner of the Second Division Competition shall have the option to remain in the Second Division. If the winner exercises that option and decides to remain in the Second Division the team which placed second in the competition shall have the right to be promoted in place of the team which has elected not to exercise its right to be promoted.

b) If the team that placed second accepts, it shall be promoted. However if the team that placed second declines, it shall remain in the Second Division and no team will be promoted. In that case, no team shall be relegated from the Intermediate Division.

c) The team (excluding School teams) which has the least number of points in the Intermediate Division, irrespective of the Zone in which it competed, shall be relegated to the Second Division.

d) In the event that the team to be relegated or promoted cannot be clearly determined it shall be determined as in 3.1 b) i) and 3.1 b) ii).

3.5 Limited overs Competitions

There is no promotion or relegation from the BCA's Limited Overs competitions. Classification of Clubs for these competitions, namely the BCA 50-Over Competitions, the BCA 40-Over Competitions, and the BCA Twenty/20 Competitions will follow that of the league competition.

4 GENERAL

4.1 Footwear and Clothing

a) In matches where white clothing is worn, the predominant colour of footwear shall be white, at least 50% of the upper, tongue and laces, shall be white. Players are not allowed to wear coloured shoes, except where stated below.

b) In Limited over Competitions (BCA Cup, Shield & Plate Twenty/20) shoes that are predominantly white - at least 20% of the upper, tongue and laces, shall be white, or those that are of a similar colour to the playing uniform may be worn.

c) Should a player present himself for playing in shoes deemed not suitable attire, the Umpire or Match Referee should warn the offending person and report infractions to the BCA as the First Warning under Clause 6.1.6 of the BCA Code of Conduct.

d) On the second occasion, if the same player presents himself the Match Referee shall advise the player that this is his second similar offence and advise both captain and the BCA that the said player shall be banned for the next match under Clause 6.2.11 of the BCA Code of Conduct.

e) A record of all instances will be kept by the BCA and shared with Match Referees. If the offender repeats the offence the player will be penalized according to the Code of Conduct.

5 FEES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

a) Prior to the commencement of every season all Clubs and Schools taking part in any competition must pay the fees and subscriptions billed by the Barbados Cricket Association (BCA) and any club which has failed to pay any such fees or subscriptions, shall be liable to suspension from all competitions.

b) Member Clubs and Schools are solely responsible for the registration and payment of fees on behalf of all players desirous of representing said Club or School.

c) Each Club taking part in the BCA's Competitions shall pay the Fees as stipulated by the BCA. The list of fees and subscriptions shall be published annually.

d) No Club, School or player shall participate in any match in any competition if the appropriate Registration Fee not been paid.

e) The Registration Fee for each Club or School must be paid at least five working (5) days before the start of the season, and for players at least two (2) working days before any match in which they are expected to participate.

f) Any Club or School which nominates a player who has not been registered shall forfeit any games in which that player participated whilst he was not registered or whilst he was ineligible. In such cases the opposing team shall be awarded full match points.

g) For the purposes of the above Regulation all tertiary institutions shall be classified as Clubs. Tertiary institutions mean Barbados Community College (BCC), Samuel Jackman Prescod Institute of Technology (SJPIT), and University of the West Indies (UWI).

h) The BCA shall publish on its website names of all players registered (by club) for the duration of the Season.

6 TRANSFERS

a) Any player who wishes to be transferred from the Club for which he was previously registered must apply to the BCA through his Club for the transfer. The BCA will in turn record the transfer and confirm to the transferee Club that the transfer has been received and is in order.

b) All transfer forms must be completed in duplicate, signed by the Secretary of each Club and rubber-stamped with the name of the Club, and delivered to the BCA Office at least three (3) working days before the player participates in a match. One copy will be retained by the BCA and the other returned to the Secretary of the Club requesting the transfer.

c) The onus will be on the transferor Club to ensure that the player has fulfilled all of his obligations, financial and otherwise.

d) Until such time as the completed transfer form is received and approved by the BCA the player in question shall not be eligible to represent any other Club.

e) The window for transfers and new registrations closes at the conclusion of the Preliminary rounds of matches. No player shall be eligible to play in the play-off rounds of any competition if not duly registered or transferred before the end of the Preliminary rounds of said competition whether league or Limited overs.

f) In instances where more than one Club registers a player, the Club for which he plays first is considered to be the Club he is authorized to represent.

g) Any master or member of staff who leaves school during the season must also obtain a transfer from the school when joining a Club. Any Player transferring from a club to a school as a Master must also fulfill this obligation, and seek the BCA's approval.

h) Players from the Barbados Defence Force Sports Programme (BDFSP) who are granted permission to represent other clubs after leaving the BDFSP must also present transfer forms from the BDFSP or the Club for which he previously played indicating that he has fulfilled all obligations to the BDFSP/Club.

i) No club shall frustrate a player's desire to transfer to another Club once all the requirements have been complied with.

j) If a Club/School nominates a player who is not registered and that fact is drawn to the attention of and confirmed by the BCA, the Club/School in question shall forfeit all matches in which he played regardless of the time which has elapsed since the match was concluded for the current season**.**

k) The BCA shall publish on its website names of all players transferred (by club) during the Season.

7 FIXTURES

a) Every Club must, during each season, play the fixtures which the Board shall arrange. No variation of any nature whatsoever shall be made in the fixtures arranged by the Board, except with the previous consent of the Board.

b) The onus is on any Club which seeks to vary the scheduled fixtures to ensure that it obtains the written consent of its opponent and to notify the Secretariat in writing of the requested change.

c) Printed fixtures shall be supplied to each Club free of charge, in such numbers as the Board shall determine.

d) Fixtures in excess of the above-mentioned numbers may, if available, be obtained by member Clubs at a cost to be fixed by the Board.

e) All matches shall commence and stumps shall be drawn at such times as shall be determined by the Board.

f) If any team fails to be ready to commence play at the scheduled time, on any day of any match, then the Board may, without any application being made to it, award any such match to the other team taking part therein, or penalise the defaulting team in any other manner, or make any other ruling which it may think fit.

g) If a Member Club fails in any year to complete its fixtures in any division of the competitions organized by the BCA and fails to satisfy the Board before the beginning of the following year that there was sufficient cause for such failure, its membership of the Association shall be deemed to have been forfeited and shall cease immediately.

8 MEMBERSHIP OF CLUBS AND COMPOSITION OF TEAMS

8.1 BCA Youth team

a) Only bona fide members of Clubs may be registered to take part in any competition, provided always that the Association shall be entitled to enter under its auspices, two BCA Youth teams consisting of players under the age of 19 years on September 1, in the year prior to that of the competition, to take part in any competition organised by the Association.

b) One team shall participate in the Elite Division and one in the First Division. The Board may, however, appoint any person of any age as Captain or Player/Coach of any such BCA Youth team.

c) The members of any such team shall be subject to all rules and regulations made by the Association or its Board.

d) Where a player is selected to represent the BCA Youth in any BCA administered domestic competition but instead plays for his school/club, all points gained by said school/club in that series shall be forfeited.

e) No player, having taken part in a match for a Club shall be eligible to represent any other Club, in any competition during the season.

f) **Any player who breaches this Regulation shall be suspended from participating in any competition for the remainder of the season, and the offending Club or School shall forfeit any matches in which that player participates. In such cases the opposing team receives full points**.

8.2 Barbados Defence Force Sports Programme

a) All conditions stipulated in **Regulation 6 (TRANSFERS)** should be adhered to if said player is desirous of representing a Club or transferring from the BDFSP.

8.3 Iris Walker Pioneers

a) Players of the Iris Walker Pioneers (IWP) in any of the BCA Competitions shall be entitled to similar concessions to schoolboys i.e. they shall be eligible to represent other Clubs after they have left the IWP and they shall also be eligible to represent the IWP even though they had already represented other Clubs during the same season.

b) All conditions stipulated in **Regulation 6 (TRANSFERS)** should be adhered to if said player is desirous of representing a Club.

c) **The exceptions** afforded in **Clause 8.4** below shall also be applicable to the players of the IWP where applicable.

8.4 Exceptions

Exceptions to this regulation shall be:-

a) Any pupil, student, master or member of staff of any School, who has played for such school during any season and who leaves such school during such season, shall be eligible to play for another Club in matches commencing after the date on which he shall have left School.

b) Any such pupil or student, but **not** master or member of staff, who leaves School at the end of the last term of the official school year may elect, and shall be eligible, to play for such school in matches commencing prior to the end of such official year (August 31st) and, if he leaves at any time during such official year, then in matches commencing before the date on which he shall leave such school.

c) Any pupil or student of any school, but **not** master or member of staff, may play for a Club other than his School in matches commencing in that period of any season which shall be prior to the end of the official school year and may elect and shall still be eligible to play for such school in matches commencing in that period of the said season, which shall be after the end of such official year. ***The Club must, however obtain a letter from the School granting the pupil or student permission to represent the Club; and provide a copy to the BCA when registering the student or pupil.***

d) Not more than three (3) masters or members of the staff of any School shall play in any match for such School in the BCA Competitions.

e) Schools shall make available for selection three (3) players to play for the BCA Youth team in any of the competitions in which the BCA Youth competes. These students once selected by the BCA shall present themselves to the Manager or Coach of the BCA Youth on the day(s) of the match, unless otherwise notified by the said Manager or Coach. Should any of the selected players opt to play for their school or any other team, that school or team shall forfeit the match and lose all points it gains for that match in the current series, unless the said students/players were released by a note in writing signed by the said Manager or Coach prior to playing for the team or by an email.

f) Notwithstanding the quota mentioned in Clause 8.4 e) above, the selectors and any school may agree to extend the said quota of availability for selection of players above and select more than three (3) players from any school. Such agreement shall be mutual.

g) In turn, in addition to the (3) three staff members currently allowed by the Regulations in 8.4 (d) above to play in any match for a school, a school may select an additional player (not being a staff member or current student of the school) in any match in the competition or competitions of the BCA in which the school participates except in 8.4 h) below.

h) A pupil or student leaving School at the end of the last term of the official school year may elect, and with the School's consent, shall be eligible to play for his School for the remainder of the season. Provided, however, that any such pupil or student who elects to play for and does play for his school in any match commencing after the end of the official school year (August 31st) shall not be eligible to represent any other Club or School during that season;

i) ***Any pupil who elects to play for a Club prior to leaving School shall be eligible to represent only that Club after leaving School during that season.***

j) Members of the BCA Youth team shall be eligible to play for their Schools or institutions when not selected for the BCA Youth team in any of the BCA's competitions.

k) If a student is selected to play for the BCA Youth in any of the BCA Competitions and he is not selected in any subsequent or previous series, the player should have the option to return and represent their School in the same competition. Conversely, if the player has already played for their school in any of the said competitions, the player shall be eligible for selection to the BCA Youth team. See clause 8.1 above.

l) Any such student shall be entitled to play for the BCA Youth team up to the end of the then current season notwithstanding that the student has left the School or institution during the school year or at the end of the last term of the official school year.

m) With regard to persons other than residents, and subject to the prior approval of the Board of Directors, each Club (Schools are not eligible) shall be permitted to register a maximum of three (3) such persons per season, but only two (2) shall be allowed to play in any one (1) match.

n) For clarity, the selectors of the BCA Youth team may select any player under the age of 19 years on September 1, in the year of the competition, from any school, institution, or club.

8.5 School to School Relationships

The BCA acknowledges that there are a number of schools who for reasons known to them have withdrawn or do not enter one competition or another.

The BCA would like to see each pupil play in its competitions.

For this reason, with the request made and permission granted of each principal, a school team entered in any of the BCA' competitions may apply to their colleague whose school is not participating for any pupil, by name, to join the ranks of requesting principal only for that segment of the competition that the granting principal's school is not participating.

Should the granting principal's school be participating in another BCA Competition, that student shall be returned to play for the school who has his registration at the Ministry of Education.

8.6 Player Eligibility for Play-offs/Knock-out rounds

The BCA shall standardise its player eligibility rules for the Group of 16, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals, and/or the Finals in any of the BCA's competitions, including the League, or any Limited-overs competitions.

With respect to a team's qualification for the Group of 16, Quarter-Finals, Semi-Finals, and/or the Finals of any BCA competition (herein after called the Play-Offs) after the preliminary rounds, in order to be eligible to play in the Play-Offs of any BCA Competition, a player shall have played at least 40% of the games played in the preliminary rounds (rounded to the nearest whole number) in that division. Please see the chart below for direction

# of Matches in Preliminary round	# of Matches player eligible
more than 11	5
9, 10, or 11	4
7 or 8	3
4 to 6	2
less than 4	1

The following are the exceptions to the eligibility rule for the Play-offs: -

i. All players are eligible for the Elite or First Division's competitions, usually known as the "Cup".

ii. Any unseeded player who has played less than 40% of the preliminary matches (rounded to the nearest whole number) in a higher division is eligible to play in the Play-Offs of a lower division. (See rules on seeding at clause V. General (d), (e), (f), and (g).of the Playing Conditions)

9 PROTOCOLS for DOMESTIC CRICKET SEASON

All Covid-19 Protocols are now rescinded and unless further notice is given, Clubs are allowed to function fully as before Covid existed.

The serving of water on the field in disposable cups and "snacks or meals" are allowed as long as proper hygiene is practiced.

10 AWARDS AND POINTS

The points system for each competition are as outlined in each BCA's Competition Appendix at the end of this document. Namely: -

Appendix "A" – outlines the Twenty/20 competitions
Appendix "B" – outlines the 50 and 40-Over competitions
Appendix "C" – accounts for the league competitions

Dates and Venues of Finals

The dates and venues of all Finals shall be determined by the Board.

11 AWARDS OF PRIZES ETC

At the conclusion of the series of matches played in any season the Board of Directors may, in its absolute discretion, make awards of prizes in the form of money, trophies, certificates or other tokens of excellence to any team, individual player, umpire, scorer or other person who had participated in the competitions conducted under these Special Conditions and Regulations.

11.1 Prize Money

Prizes and prize money will be as determined by the organising committee of the BCA.

12 AWARDING POINTS

The Board of Directors of the BCA reserves the right to award points to any team meriting same or penalise any team by deduction of points and/or fines for breaches of any of the Laws or Special Conditions and Regulations under which its competitions are played irrespective of whether or not the matter is brought up by interested parties.

13 DISCIPLINE

a) No Captain shall waive any penalties imposed under the aforesaid Regulations nor shall disregard any violation of any such Regulations.

b) Breaches of any of the aforesaid Regulations shall be deemed to be violations by Clubs themselves and not by individual Club members.

c) The Board may in its discretion reprimand any Club found guilty of any violation of any of these Regulations, or, if in the opinion of the Board the gravity of any such violations justifies it the Board may: -

1) Cause any such Club to forfeit the match in respect of which any such violation occurred or,

2) Disqualify any such Club competing in any or all of the competitions.

d) Where any Club is disqualified from taking part in any division of a competition, then all matches in which such Club had taken part in any such division shall be ignored when aggregating the points for the award of the trophy competed for in such division.

e) The Board may impose such penalties as it thinks fit on Clubs or players for any misconduct.

f) The Board had, in 2011, approved and implemented a Code of Conduct for Players and Player Support Personnel, referred to as "the Code of Conduct" (CoC), as part of the BCA's continuing efforts to maintain the public image, popularity and integrity of cricket by providing: (a) an effective means to deter any participant from conducting themselves improperly on and off the 'field-of-play' or in a manner that is contrary to the 'spirit of cricket'; and (b) providing a robust disciplinary procedure pursuant to which all matters of improper conduct can be dealt with fairly, with certainty and in an expeditious manner.

g) The BCA shall publish on its website the results of all CoC hearings.

PLEASE OBSERVE THE PREAMBLE.

14 GENERAL

a) Any Club desirous of having these Regulations amended shall give to the Secretary notice in writing of the proposed amendment.

b) Individual Members of the Board may from time to time propose amendments in like manner.

c) All communications to the Board shall be addressed to the Secretary and all communications by Clubs to the Board and by the Board to Clubs shall be made through the Secretaries of such Clubs and all Clubs must notify the Secretary of the names and addresses of their Secretaries from time to time.

15 PROTESTS, COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS

a) Clubs and Umpires are advised that protests and complaints **affecting the outcome of matches** must reach the Secretariat of the Barbados Cricket Association **not later than 4:00 p.m. on the first working day after the incident** giving rise to the protest or complaint**.**

b) **"Working day" means any day from Monday to Friday excluding a public holiday**

c) Other complaints, other than those captured at Clause 15. a) above, must be submitted within five (5) working days, and will be dealt with by the Secretariat of the BCA.

d) All protests or complaints must be submitted in written form and be accompanied by a hearing fee of five hundred dollars ($500.00). [As per Special Conditions and Regulations]

e) All such matters except a matter arising at Clause 15. c) above will be dealt with as prescribed in the SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND REGULATIONS OF PLAY APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BARBADOS CRICKET ASSOCIATION (BCA) (April 2019), and in particular its Dispute Resolution Provision at Clause 16 below.

16 DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROVISION

a) The BCA will establish a Tribunal to resolve in a final and conclusive manner all issues of fact and law arising out of any protest or complaint by a club or match official concerning the outcome of a match. The Tribunal will consist of a legally trained person as Chairman and two other persons familiar with cricket.

b) The BCA as organiser of cricket will ensure that there is a panel of persons qualified and suitable to act under this Dispute Resolution Provision.

c) Where a dispute arises, the BCA shall provide to each party a list of suitably qualified persons from which an agreed Chairman shall be selected. If forty-eight (48) hours after presentation of the list to the parties, no decision is made as to the agreed choice of Chairman, the BCA will immediately select a Chairman from the list provided together with the other two persons to constitute the full Tribunal.

d) The Tribunal once selected will commence its work immediately by meeting with the parties to settle all procedural matters not limited to the type of evidence to be adduced, number of witnesses, the date and time of the hearing and any other relevant consideration.

e) The Tribunal will give its decision within ten (10) working days of the conclusion of the hearing, except in circumstances beyond the control of the Tribunal. The Decision of the Tribunal shall be binding and final on all parties.

f) There will be no right of review or appeal from the decision of the Tribunal. In the event that any affected party appeals to any court or tribunal or proceeds to invoke some other form of redress, that party will lose all points earned in that competition, be placed at the bottom of the same competition and be prohibited with immediate effect from participation in all BCA competitions for the current season.

17 CONTROL

a) The Board of Directors of the Barbados Cricket Association shall have power from time to time to revise, alter amend or suspend these Regulations.

b) The Board shall have power from time to time to decide in which divisions Clubs shall compete and shall have power to promote or relegate any Club from one division to another.

c) The Board shall also have the power to remove any Club from playing in any of its competitions if it persistently fails to field a team or forfeits matches during previous seasons.

d) Any Club which desires to take part in any competition for the first time must give notice in writing to the Secretary of the Association of such desire, not later than the last day of January in the year in which such Club proposes to take part, and any Club, which having competed in one division desires to compete in another, must give similar notice.

18 Appendices - Structure of the BCA Domestic Season & Match Schedule Document

18.A Appendix A – BCA Twenty/20 Competitions - Match Schedule Document

18.B Appendix B – BCA 50-Over & 40-Over Competitions - Match Schedule Document

18.C Appendix C – BCA League Competitions Match Schedule Document

SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND MATCH SCHEDULE DOCUMENT

18.A.1 Structure of the BCA Twenty/20 Competitions - Match Schedule Document

The BCA has organised this competition in accordance with the teams of the league, and have named these competitions: -

BCA Cup Twenty/20-Over Competition for the Elite and First Division Clubs & Schools combined

BCA Shield Twenty/20-Over Competition for the Intermediate Division Clubs & Schools, and

BCA Plate Twenty/20-Over Competition for the Second Division Clubs & Schools

The clubs/divisions are divided into zones.

The zonal layout in each of the respective divisional competition is as follows: -

BCA Cup

The 18 clubs of the Elite and First Division will participate in this competition with the BCA Youth and UWI represented by one teams each.

This complement is divided into 3 # Zones (Zone A, Zone B and Zone C) of 6 teams each, thus giving 5 rounds of preliminary matches.

The winning team of each Zone and the best second placed teams shall advance to Sem-finals, and thence the winners shall advance to the Finals.

BCA Shield

There are 36 Intermediate Division Clubs and Schools in this year's competition.

These teams are divided into 6 Zones with 6 teams each, which would provide for 5 preliminary rounds.

The winning teams of each Zone and the 2# best second placed teams shall advance to Quarter-finals; winners of the Quarter-finals shall advance to Semi-Finals and thence to Finals.

BCA Plate

In the Second Division Competition, there are 47 Clubs and Schools in this year's Competition.

These teams are divided into 8 Zones –7 Zones of 6 teams (5 rounds), and 1 zones with 5 teams (5 rounds with a BYE).

The winning teams shall advance to Quarter-finals, winners advance to Semi-Finals and thence to Finals. (See Clause VII. c) of the BCA Twenty-20 Over Competition Playing Conditions for guidance.)

The teams shall be ranked in the order as determined by the order of priority in Clause 16.10 of the BCA Twenty-20 Over Competition Playing Conditions and placed in the LeaderBoard (18.A.4c) below.

All games of the Quarter-Final round shall be played at the home ground of Zone winners or the higher of the 2 opponents.

The Semi-Final, and Finals may be played at neutral venues to be decided by the BCA.

18.A.2 LAW 12 – Start of Play; Cessation of Play

Appendix A - **Match Schedule Document**

LAW 12 - START OF PLAY; CESSATION OF PLAY

3.1.1 **Hours of Play**

a) **BCA Twenty/20 Cup (Elite and First Divisions)**

	<u>including the times for the final</u>		
First Session	2:00 PM	-	3:25 PM
Break	3:25 PM	-	3:40 PM
Final Session	3:40 PM	-	5:05 PM

FINAL – Saturday, May 25th, 2024 (reserve day on May 26th, 2024) at TBD

b) **BCA Twenty/20 Shield (Intermediate Division)**

	<u>including the times for the final</u>		
First Session	2:00 PM	-	3:25 PM
Break	3:25 PM	-	3:40 PM
Final Session	3:40 PM	-	5:05 PM

FINAL – Saturday, May 18th, 2024 (reserve day on May 19th, 2024) at TBD

c) **BCA Twenty/20 Plate (Second Divisions)**

	<u>including the times for the final</u>		
First Session	2:00 PM	-	3:25 PM
Break	3:25 PM	-	3:40 PM
Final Session	3:40 PM	-	5:05 PM

FINAL – Saturday, May 11th, 2024 (reserve day on May 18th, 2024) at TBD

Calculations:-

		Clause			
1	Minutes in a innings	PC 12.7.1	85	minutes	
2	Overs in an innings		20	overs	
3	Minutes allowed per over	PC 13.7.2.1.3	4.25	minutes/over	
4	Extra time	PC 13.7.3.1	40	minutes	
5	Overs constituting an innings	PC 16.13.7	5	overs	
6	Scheduled time for match finish				5:05 PM
7	Add extra time of 40 minutes to give latest ending time of match				5:45 PM
8	Time for 5 over innings		22	minutes	
9	Interval		10	minutes	
10	Length of minimum match		54	minutes	
	Latest start time of a Twenty/20 match				**4:51 PM**

Please note that there is **no grace period** at the start of these matches, cricket starts at 2:00pm.
Cricket can also end at that time if a team has less than 7 players.
Please also use your discretion in this respect !!

18.A.3 LAW 16 – Points

In the Zonal Competition the Points shall be allocated as follows: -

Winning Team	4 points
Losing Team	0 points
Incomplete match (both teams)	2 points
Abandoned match (both teams)	2 points

An incomplete match is a match which started but in which there was no winner.

16.10.2 Where teams have an equal number of points their relative positions shall be determined by the following:

16.10.2.1 In all Competitions, the team earning the most wins in the zonal competition shall prevail;

16.10.2.2 If the teams are still equal, then the team with the higher or highest number of points earned per games scheduled to be played shall overcome;

16.10.2.3 If after 16.10.2.2 above, there are teams with equal points and equal wins during the season, then in such case the team with the higher net run rate (as calculated in clause 16.12 below) will be placed in the higher position; this may be taken down to any number of decimal places to determine which team may triumph (max 7 dec places);

16.10.2.4 If following the net run rate calculation above there are teams which are still equal, then the team with the higher number of wickets taken per fair balls bowled in the matches played that season in which results were achieved will be placed in the higher position;

16.10.2.5 If still equal at the end of the regular season, then the team position will be determined by drawing lots.

16.10.3 References in clause 16.10 to 'matches' shall not include the play-off matches

Reference to "**games scheduled to be played" shall mean all games fixtured by the BCA and listed in their fixtures of the current year, it shall not include a bye.**

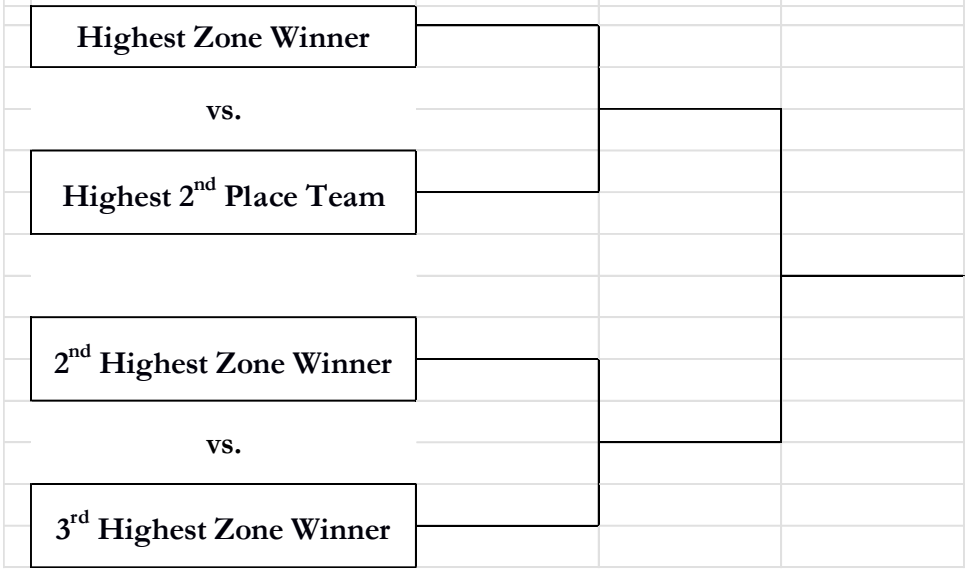
18.A.4. a) LAW 16 – The Result - The Knock-Out Chart

BCA Twenty/20 Cup for Elite & First Division teams combined

Appendix A - Match Schedule Document (cont'd)

18.3 LAW 16 – The Result - The Knock-Out Chart

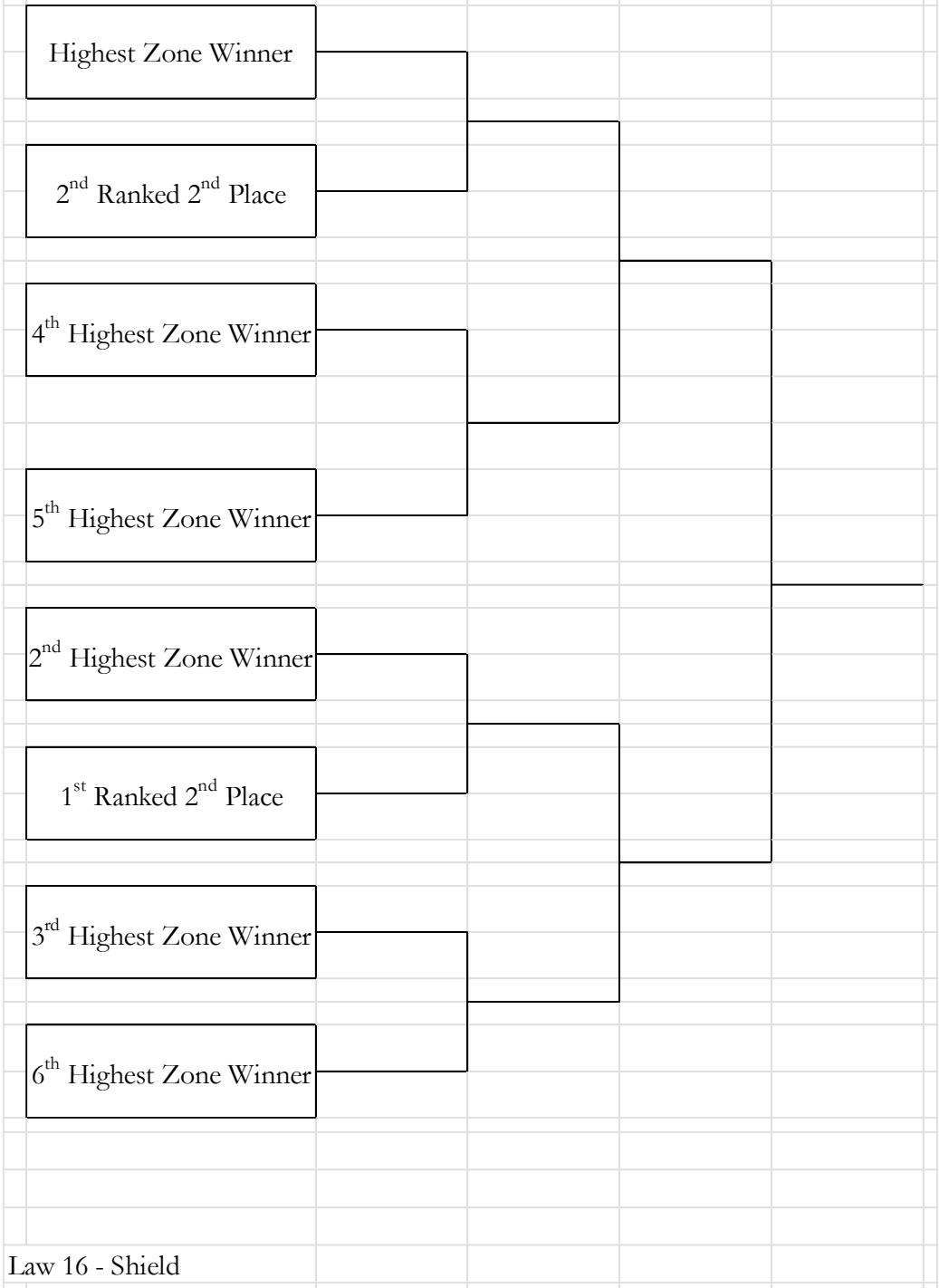
a) BCA Twenty/20 Cup for Elite & First Division teams combined



18.A.4. b) BCA Twenty/20 Shield for Intermediate Division teams

Appendix A - Match Schedule Document (cont'd)

b) BCA Twenty/20 Shield for Intermediate Division teams

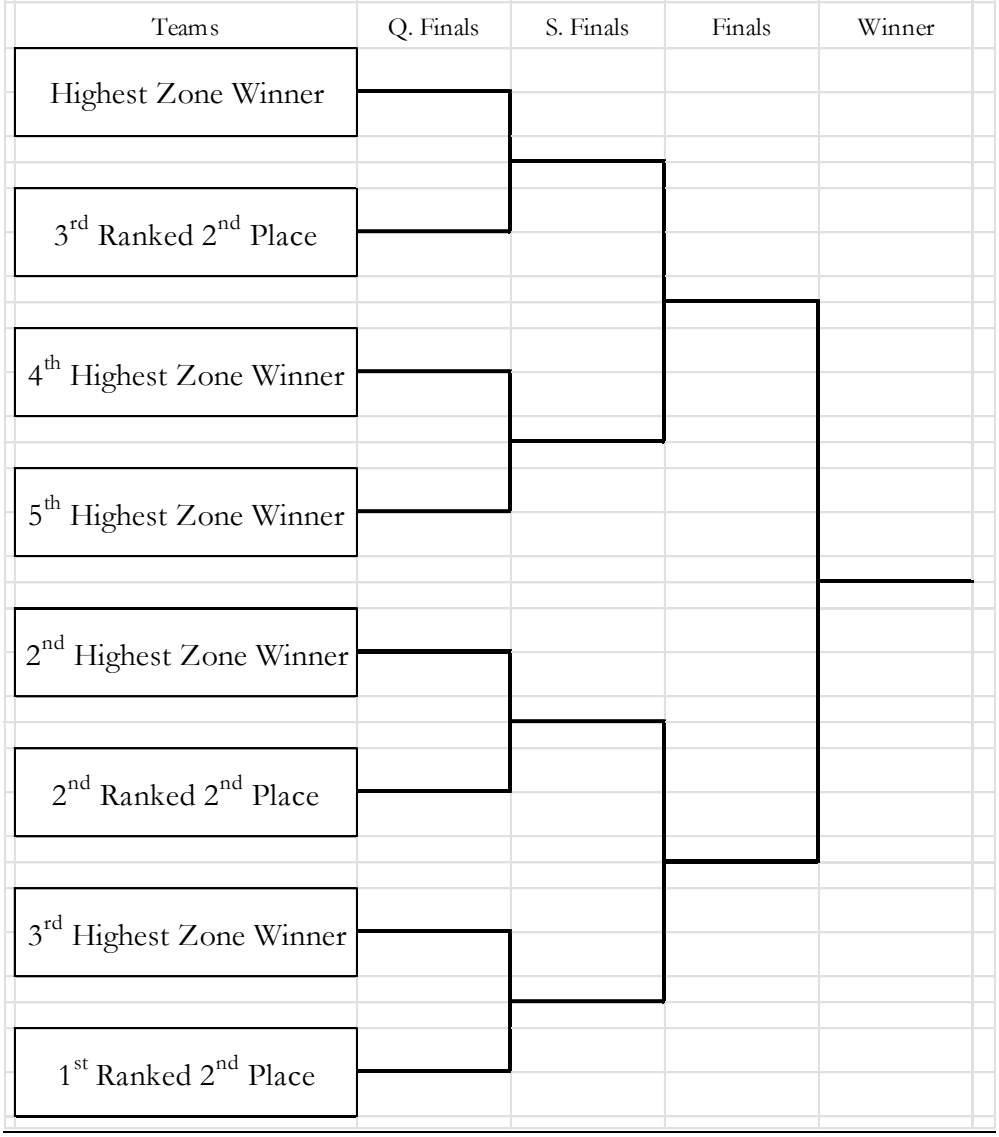


Law 16 - Shield

18.A.4. c) BCA Twenty/20 Plate for Second Division teams

Appendix A - Match Schedule Document (cont'd)

c) BCA Twenty/20 Plate for Second Division teams



SPECIAL CONDITIONS AND MATCH SCHEDULE DOCUMENT

18.B.1 Structure of the BCA Limited Over Competitions - Match Schedule Document

The Limited Over format is the second competition of this year's BCA season. The BCA gives its member clubs and players the opportunity to showcase their talent to the world cup audience. The competitions are named: -

BCA SuperCup Competition for the Elite and First Division Clubs & Barbados Youth, and

BCA Shield 40-Over Competition for the Intermediate, Second Division Clubs & Schools

The clubs divisions are divided into zones.

The zonal layout in each of the respective divisional competition is as follows: -

BCA Cup

The 18 teams of the Elite and First Division will participate in this competition with the Barbados Youth and UWI represented by one team each.

This complement is divided into 3# Zone of 6 teams each, thus giving 5 rounds of preliminary matches.

At the end of the Group Stage, the team in each Group/Zone with the highest number of points shall be at the top of the table and the team with the lowest shall be at the bottom. In the event of teams finishing on equal points in their respective zones the higher placed team will be decided as set out in Clause 16.10.1

The Top 3 teams of each Zone, plus the Best 2nd placed team will advance to Semi-finals, winners advance to Finals.

If there is no play on the Reserve Day of the Finals, or the match ends in a "No Decision", tie, or abandoned, the two teams competing the Finals shall be declared Joint Champions for the year.

Each innings is allotted 50 overs of play incorporating 2# drinks/sanitation break each after 70 continuous minutes of play. Additional brinks breaks may be incorporated at the discretion of the umpires.

BCA Shield

There are 66 Intermediate, Second Division Clubs & Schools in this division that have confirmed their participation in this year's competition.

These teams are divided into 11 Zones with 6 teams each, which would provide for 5 preliminary rounds.

At the end of the Group Stage, the team in each Group/Zone with the highest number of points shall be at the top of the table and the team with the lowest shall be at the bottom

The top team, with the most points, from each of the 11# Zones shall advance to the Group of 16 Stage in the positions as determined by the Match Schedule.

The 5# highest placed 2nd teams, from each of the 11# Zones shall also advance to the Group of 16 Stage in the positions as determined by the Match Schedule

The 11# first teams of the Shield Competition are ranked as per clause 16.10, first to eleventh, and placed in the Group of 16 table as per the Match Schedule Document.

The 5# best second placed teams are also ranked as per clause 16.10, twelth to sixteenth, and placed in the Group of 16 table as per the Match Schedule Document.

The winners of Group of 16 Play-offs matches shall advance to the Quarter-Finals

The Quarter-finals winners shall advance to Semi-Finals and thence to Finals

The winners of the Semi-Finals shall advance to the Finals

If there is no play on the Reserve Day of the Finals, or the match ends in a "No Decision", tie, or abandoned, the two teams competing the Finals shall be declared Joint Champions for the year.

Each innings is allotted 40 overs of play incorporating 2# drinks/sanitation break each after 55 continuous minutes of play. Additional brinks breaks may be incorporated at the discretion of the umpires.

18.B.2 LAW 12 – Start of Play; Cessation of Play

LAW 12 - START OF PLAY; CESSATION OF PLAY

3.1.1 **Hours of Play**

a) **BCA SuperCup** 50-Over (**Elite and First Divisions – matches shall be of 50-overs duration)**

This Competition shall start **Saturday, June 01, 2024**

	All rounds inc. Final			Latest start time for 20 overs a side		
First Session	9:45 AM	-	1:15 PM	2:15 PM	-	3:40 PM
Break	1:15 PM	-	1:45 PM	3:40 PM	-	3:50 PM
Final Session	1:45 PM	-	5:15 PM	3:50 PM	-	5:15 PM

Semi-Finals -	**Sun, Jul 21, 2024**	(reserve day on	**Sun, Aug 11, 2024**	) at TBD
FINAL –	**Sun, Aug 25, 2024**	(reserve day on	**Sun, Sep 08, 2024**	) at TBD

b) **BCA Shield 40-over (Intermediate Division – matches shall be of 40-overs duration)**

This Competition shall start **Saturday, June 01, 2024**

	All rounds inc. Final			Latest start time for 15 overs a side		
First Session	11:00 AM	-	1:50 PM	3:00 PM	-	4:00 PM
Break	1:50 PM	-	2:20 PM	4:00 PM	-	4:10 PM
Final Session	2:20 PM	-	5:10 PM	4:10 PM	-	5:10 PM

Group of 16 -	**Sun, Jul 21, 2024**	(reserve day on	no Reserve Day	) at TBD
Quarter -Finals	**Sun, Aug 11, 2024**	(reserve day on	no Reserve Day	) at TBD
Semi-Finals -	**Sun, Aug 25, 2024**	(reserve day on	no Reserve Day	) at TBD
FINAL –	**Sun, Sep 08, 2024**	(reserve day on	**Sun, Sep 22, 2024**	) at TBD

18.B.3 LAW 16 Points

In the Zonal Competition the Points shall be allocated as follows: -

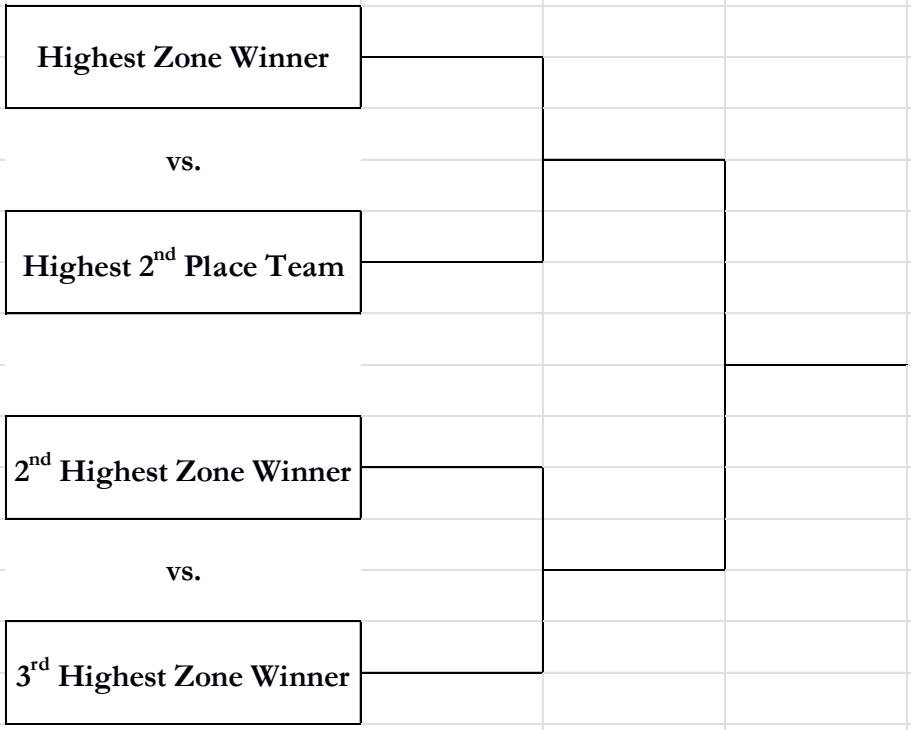
Winning Team	2 points
Losing Team	0 points
Incomplete match (both teams)	1 points
Abandoned match (both teams)	1 points

An incomplete match is a match which started but in which there was no winner.

18.B.3.1 LAW 16 – The Result - The Knock-Out Chart - BCA Cup 50-Over

18.3 LAW 16 – The Result - The Knock-Out Chart

a) BCA Cup 50-Over for Elite & First Division teams combined



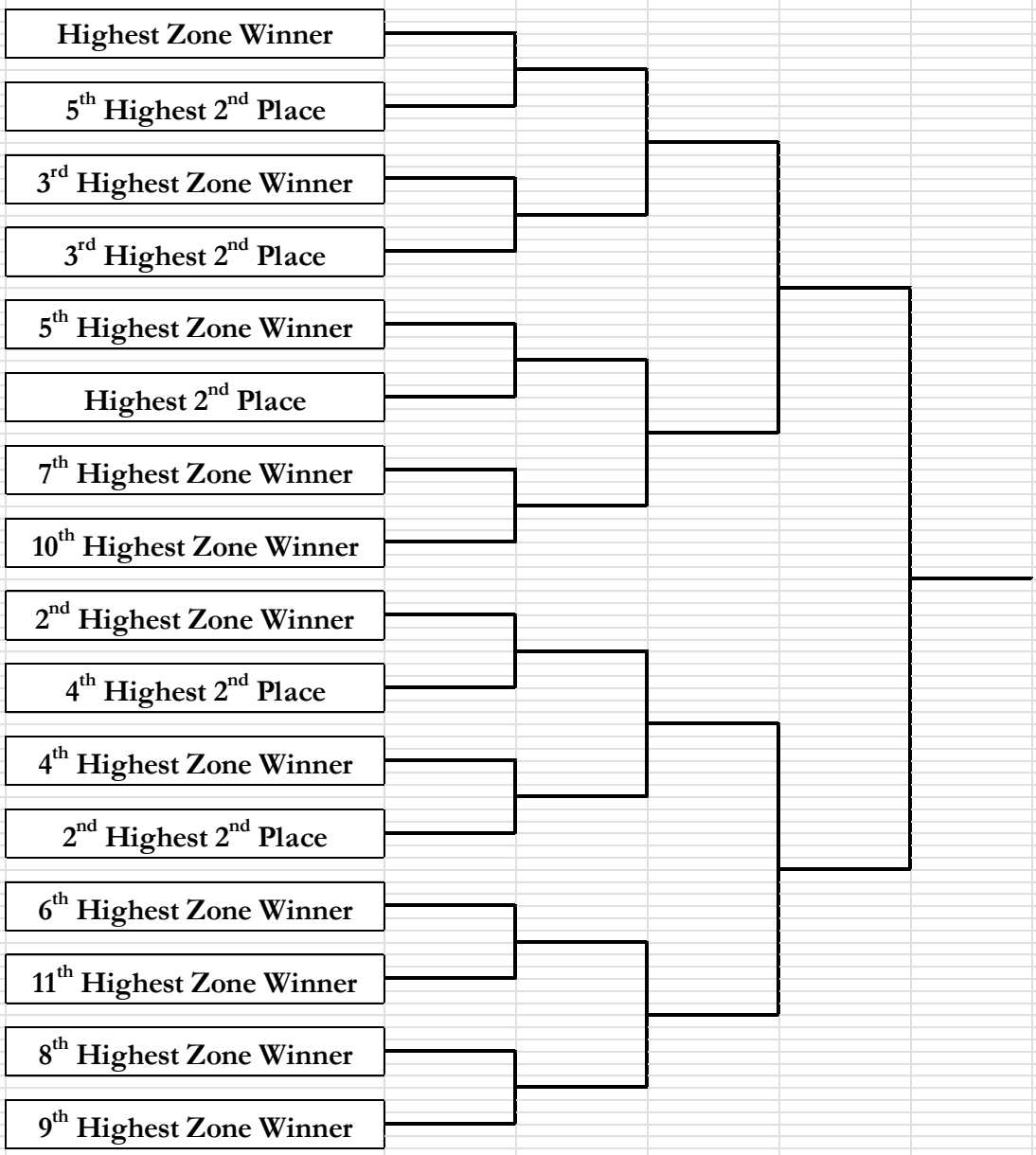
Note: -

Ranking Order as determined by clause 16.10 of the Playing Conditions

For guidance, at the entry round of the Play-Off (in this competition - the Semi-Finals), no team shall play another team that originated from its own zone. Should the above chart be affected by this then the Best Ranked 2nd Place and 3rd Highest Zone Winner shall exchange positions in the above chart.

18.B.3.2 LAW 16 – The Result - The Knock-Out Chart - BCA Shield 40-Over

b) BCA Shield 40-Over for Intermediate, Second Division, & School teams Combined



Note: -

Ranking Order as determined by clause 16.10 of the Playing Conditions

For guidance, at the entry round of the Play-Off (in this competition - the Semi-Finals), no team shall play another team that originated from its own zone. Should the above chart be affected by this then the Best Ranked 2nd Place and 3rd Highest Zone Winner shall exchange positions in the

18.C.1 Appendix C – BCA League Competitions Match Schedule Document – Structure

Structure of the 2023 BCA Domestic Season - League

Elite Division Championship

a) The Elite Division shall be played among ten (10) teams which shall play against each other and the team which has the highest aggregate of points at the end of the Competition shall be declared the Champion.

b) If two (2) or more teams have the same aggregate of points they shall be declared Joint Champions.

First Division

a) The trophy competed for in this division shall be awarded to the Club having the highest aggregate of points.

b) However, if two or more teams are tied with the highest number of points, the team scoring the greater number of outright wins shall be the winner (matches won by default shall not be considered in determining the number of outright wins).

c) Failing this, the team which has the highest net runs per wicket ratio during the season shall be the winner.

All Divisions except Elite and First Divisions

(Zone Winners and Championship)

Zone Winners and Ranking order

a) The team with the highest number of points in the zone shall be the winner of the zone. However, if two or more teams are tied with the highest number of points, the team scoring the greater number of outright wins shall be the winner (matches won by default shall not be considered in determining the number of outright wins).
b) If the teams are still equal, then the points per scheduled matches shall be the next priority.
c) Failing this, the team which has the highest net runs per wicket ratio during the season shall be the higher

Intermediate Championship

a) The winners of the five (5) zones plus the 3# best 2nd placed teams shall meet in quarter-final playoffs. The teams, after their relative zone positions are known, shall be ranked by points per scheduled games and placed in the chart at clause 18.C.4. These quarter-final matches shall be played at the home ground of the 4# best zone winners.

b) The winners of the quarter-finals shall advance to the semi-finals

c) The winners of the semi-final matches shall meet in the final, and the winner of the final, which shall be of four (4) days' duration, shall be the Champions.

d) Failing this the team which has the higher net runs per wicket ratio during the season shall be the winner.

In the event of a "No Decision" in the quarter-finals or semi-finals, the team which has recorded the points per scheduled games during the season shall be the winner. If this does not produce an outright winner, then the team which has the higher net runs per wicket ratio during the season shall be the winner.

Schools Division Championship

a) The trophy competed for in this division shall be awarded to the Club having the highest aggregate of points.

b) However, if two or more teams are tied with the highest number of points, the team scoring the greater number of outright wins shall be the winner (matches won by default shall not be considered in determining the number of outright wins).

c) Failing this, the team which has the highest net runs per wicket ratio during the season shall be the winner.

18.C.1 Appendix C – BCA League Competitions Match Schedule Document – Structure (cont'd)
Second Division Championship

a) The Final of this competition shall be of three (3) days' duration.
b) The winners of the six (6) zones plus the 2# best 2nd placed teams shall meet in quarter-final playoffs. The teams, after their relative zone positions are known, shall be ranked by points per scheduled games and placed in the chart at clause 18.C.5. These quarter-final matches shall be played at the home ground of the 4# best zone winners.
c) The winners of the quarter-finals shall advance to the semi-finals
d) The winners of the semi-final matches shall meet in the final, and the winner of the final.

Other determinants

The Final shall be played according to the same format as the zonal competition of Regulation 12.2.3 First Day's Play (Second Division)

No Decision in the Final

Intermediate, and Second Division

a) Should there be a "No Decision" in the Final the team which has earned the greater number of points per scheduled matches in the zonal competition shall be declared the winner.

b) If this does not produce a winner the team which has won the greater number of matches (excluding matches won by default) in the zonal competition shall be the winner.

c) If still not conclusive the winner shall be the team which has the higher net runs per wicket ratio in the zonal competition.

d) The dates and venues of all Finals shall be determined by the Board.

e) If the teams competing in the Final did not have the same number of teams in their respective zones the team with the higher number of points per match shall be the winner.

Dates and Venues of Finals

The dates and venues of all Finals shall be determined by the Board.

18.C.2 Appendix C – BCA League Competitions Match Schedule Document – Hours of Play

Appendix C - **Hours of Play**

LAW 12 - START OF PLAY; CESSATION OF PLAY

3.1.1 **Hours of Play**

a) **Elite and First Divisions** – matches shall be of three (3) days duration.

	Season start to September 15th, 2024			From September 21st, 2024 to end		
First Session	12:30 PM	-	3:00 PM	12:00 PM	-	2:30 PM
Tea	3:00 PM	-	3:30 PM	2:30 PM	-	3:00 PM
Final Session	3:30 PM	-	6:00 PM	3:00 PM	-	5:30 PM

b) **Intermediate Divisions** – matches shall be of three (3) days duration.

First Two Days of Match

	Season start to September 15th, 2024			From September 21st, 2024 to end		
First Session	1:30 PM	-	3:30 PM	1:00 PM	-	3:00 PM
Tea	3:30 PM	-	3:50 PM	3:00 PM	-	3:20 PM
Final Session	3:50 PM	-	6:00 PM	3:20 PM	-	5:30 PM

Final Day of Match

First Session	1:00 PM	-	3:00 PM	12:30 PM	-	2:30 PM
Tea	3:00 PM	-	3:20 PM	2:30 PM	-	2:50 PM
Final Session	3:20 PM	-	5:30 PM	2:50 PM	-	5:00 PM

c) **Second Division** – matches shall be of two (2) days duration.

	Season start to September 14th, 2024			From September 21st, 2024 to end		
First Session	1:00 PM	-	3:15 PM	12:30 PM	-	2:45 PM
Tea	3:15 PM	-	3:45 PM	2:45 PM	-	3:15 PM
Final Session	3:45 PM	-	6:00 PM	3:15 PM	-	5:30 PM

d) **Schools Divisions** – matches shall be of three (3) days duration.

First Two Days of Match

	Season start to September 15th, 2024			From September 21st, 2024 to end		
First Session	1:00 PM	-	3:00 PM	12:30 PM	-	2:30 PM
Tea	3:00 PM	-	3:20 PM	2:30 PM	-	2:50 PM
Final Session	3:20 PM	-	5:30 PM	2:50 PM	-	5:00 PM

Final Day of Match

First Session	12:30 PM	-	2:30 PM	12:00 PM	-	2:00 PM
Tea	2:30 PM	-	2:50 PM	2:00 PM	-	2:20 PM
Final Session	2:50 PM	-	5:00 PM	2:20 PM	-	4:30 PM

18.C.3 Appendix C – BCA League Competitions Match Schedule Document - Points

Elite and First Divisions

a) In the first innings of a match teams shall be awarded batting and bowling points based on their performances in the first seventy-five (75) overs as follows:

Batting Team:	4's & 6's	3's & 4's
175 to 224	-	2 points
225 to 274	-	3 points (2+1)
275+	-	4 points (3+1)

200	to	249	2 points
250	to	299	3 points (2+1)
300+			4 points (3+1)

Bowling Team:	All Matches
First 5 wickets	2 points
Next 3 wickets	3 points (2+1)
Next 1 wicket	4 points (3+1)

Team Points	pts
Winning side completed match	12
Match completed on 1st innings - leading si	3
Match completed on 1st innings - losing sid	1
1st innings completed - equal runs	2
Match completed - equal scores	6
Drawn match - scores equal, team batting 4	6
Drawn match - scores equal, team fielding 4	4
no team able to secure batting or bowling p	1
not completed on 1st but 1 team earned pt	1
team forfeits: -	
forfeiting team loses all points gained	
opposing side awarded full point -	20

The above is in addition to any batting or bowlir points earned in the 1st innings

Matches Reduced to One Day

The team winning the match	-	Five (5) points
The team losing the match	-	Zero (0) points
No Decision	-	Two (2) points
Tie	-	Three (3) points

The following shall apply for batting and bowling points:

Reduced overs bowled	4's & 6's	3's & 4's	Wickets	Points
Less than 20 overs	80	70	3	1
20 - 30 overs	150	135	5	2
30 - 40 overs	240	220	6+	3

18.C.3 Appendix C – BCA League Competitions Match Schedule Document – Points (cont'd)

Intermediate, Schools and Second Divisions

Team Points	pts
Winning side completed match	8
Match completed on 1st innings - leading side	3
Match completed on 1st innings - losing side	1
Match completed - losing side gains lead on 1st innir	3
1st innings completed - equal runs	2
Match completed - equal scores	4
Match incomplete on 1st innings, each side	1
Drawn match - scores equal, team batting 4th	6
Fielding team shaell receive	
if fielding team has led in the 1st innings	4
if scores were tied on 1st innings	3
if fielding team were led in 1st innings	2
Match completed - equal scores on 1st innings - losin	2
no team able to secure batting or bowling pts	1
not completed on 1st but 1 team earned pts	1
team forfeits: -	
forfeiting team loses all points gained	
opposing side awarded full point -	8

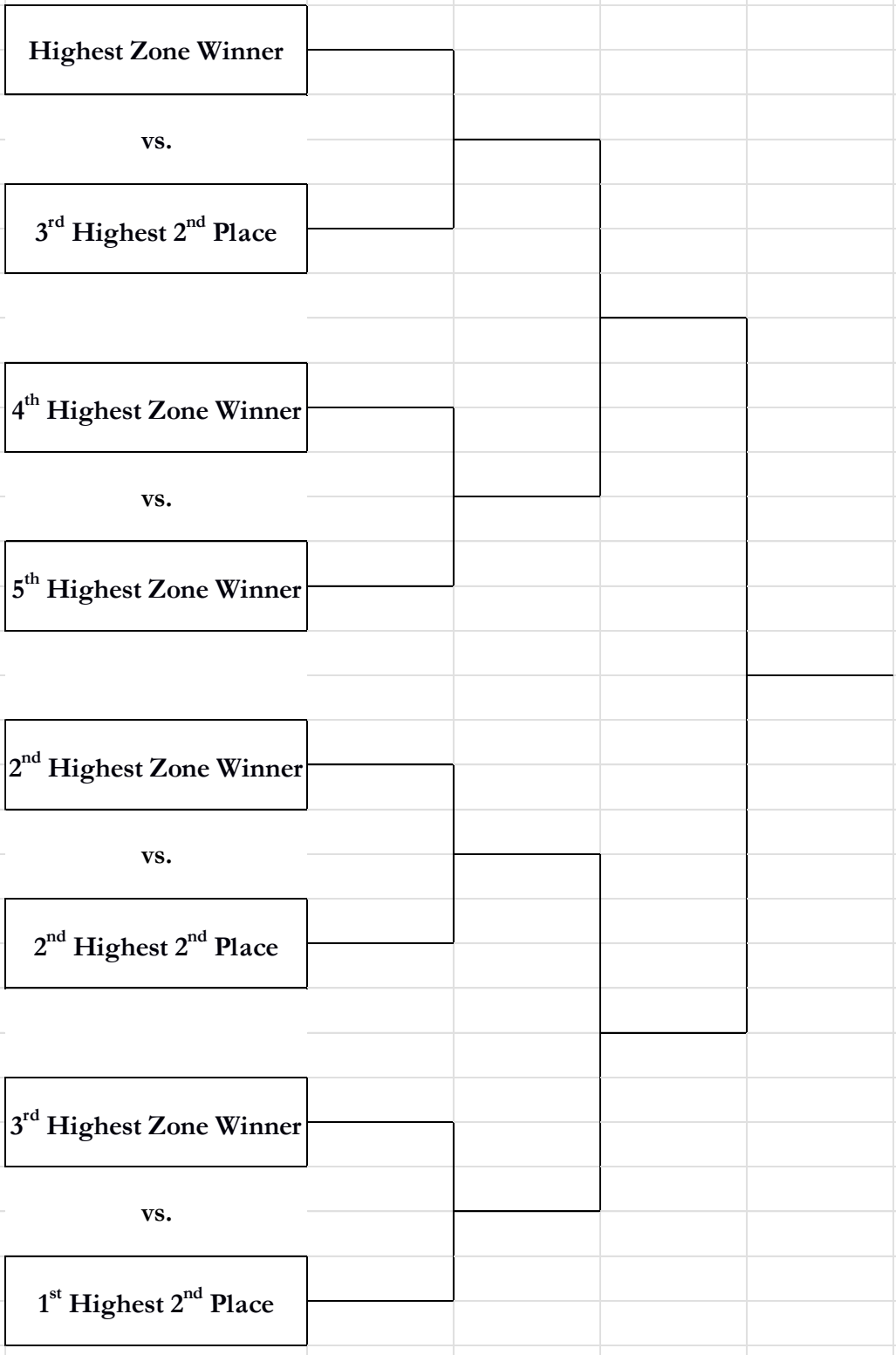
Matches Reduced to One Day

The team winning the match	-	Five (5) points
The team losing the match	-	Zero (0) points
No Decision	-	Two (2) points
Tie	-	Three (3) points

18.C.4 Appendix C – BCA League Competitions Match Schedule Document – Law 16 – The Result

18.C.4 LAW 16 – BCA League Competitions Match Schedule Document – Quarter-Final Match-Ups

a) BCA Intermediate Division Quarter-Finals



Note: -

Ranking order by Nett runs to wickets ratio within the Zone

No team shall face another from the same league zone at the Quarter-Final stage

18.C.5 LAW 16 – BCA League Competitions Match Schedule Document – Quarter-Final Match-Ups

b) BCA Second Division Quarter-Finals



Note: -

Ranking order by Nett runs to wickets ratio within the Zone

No team shall face another from the same league zone at the Quarter-Final stage

July 2024