

Umpires & Referees Department

PCB Level 1 Umpiring Course - 2021

Syllabus



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1. The MCC Laws of Cricket (2017 Code 2nd Edition – 2019)

An Umpire/Match referee should have complete command on the MCC laws. These are the basic laws of cricket and are necessary to conduct the game. These laws can be found in the book for “MCC Laws of Cricket (2017 Code 2nd Edition – 2019)” at MCC website (www.lords.org) and following the link below:

<https://www.lords.org/getattachment/MCC/All-Laws/2nd-Edition-of-the-2017-code-2019.pdf?lang=en-US>

2. Duties of a level 1 Umpire

A level 1 umpire should be able to perform the following duties to the best of his abilities:

a) Self-preparation before the start of the match.

- 1) Stay up to date with the latest Laws, tournament playing conditions and other regulations of cricket.
- 2) Keep the necessary equipment intact, such as; a note book, pen and official uniform etc.
- 3) Be punctual to reach the ground on the day of the match. Try to reach the ground at least 1 hour before the start of play
- 4) Meet with other match officials who are officiating that match.
- 5) Meet the ground authorities and the grounds staff and remind them off their duties during the match.
- 6) Inspect the overall ground.
- 7) Meet with team officials, captains and the vice captains of both the teams to discuss the general playing conditions of the relevant format.

b) Checklist before the start of the match:

- 1) All the crease marking
- 2) Measurement of both; deployed and extra stumps and bails.
- 3) Condition of sight screens.
- 4) Deployment of staff to move the sight screens.
- 5) Measurement of boundary from each side and condition of boundary rope/skirting.
- 6) Any other method which can be helpful to dry the ground in case of rain.

- 7) Method to be implemented to remove the morning dew.
- 8) Availability of working scorer board and its attendant.
- 9) To know the seating of the scorer.
- 10) Umpires' room and its facilities.
- 11) Availability of saw dust.
- 12) Method that the grounds staff is using to repair the footholds.
- 13) Availability of the ground clock
- 14) Inspect and be informed about the overall preparation and condition of the pitch and square.
- 15) Make sure that the ground and pitch are fit to start the play on time

c) During the Match

- 1) Make sure the game is played within the spirit of the game.
- 2) To make sure that the playing conditions are adhered in its true sense.
- 3) Keep a close watch on the conduct of the players.
- 4) Carry out basic duties like counting of balls of overs, responding to appeals, giving decisions etc.
- 5) Get the crease markings refreshed during intervals. (If required)
- 6) Keep interacting with the other on field umpire and the scorer.
- 7) Make sure that the starting, intervals and ending time is being followed.
- 8) Make sure that the scorer is seated at a visible position for both the on-field umpires.
- 9) Be agile and proactive during any interruption due to GWL conditions.
- 10) Make sure the game resumes after an interruption within best possible time.
- 11) Inspection/Correction of Score sheets during intervals and after the close of play whenever possible and appropriate.
- 12) Maintain overall control on the match.
- 13) Supervise the sweeping and rolling of the pitch during the interval, if asked for.
- 14) Keep the captains updated regarding the over rate.
- 15) Note the name and time of the player who has left the field of play or has not come on to the field and convey the same to the fielding captain.
- 16) Intimate the captains about the penalty time of the player who has returned on the field of play and when he/she may bowl.
- 17) Should make frequent and regular inspections of the condition of the ball.
- 18) Record any misconduct during the match.
- 19) Intimate the captains about the Penalty time of the player and when he/she may bat.

- 20) To convey any other important information
- 21) During interruption due to GWL, making every possible effort and mobilize the ground staff in order to get the game resumed as early as possible.
- 22) To keep a close eye on the measures taken for the protection of the Pitch prior to the match, during rain interruptions and intervals.

d) After the close of play.

- 1) Calling “Time” at the close of Play/Match.
- 2) To check the score sheet and re-confirm the result.
- 3) Consulting with partner(s) for any outstanding issues.
- 4) Completing the match reports. (If applicable)
- 5) Report any breach of the Code of Conduct. (If applicable)
- 6) Report slow over rate. (If applicable)

e) General Expectations

- 1) Should be physically fit to stand for longer durations.
- 2) Should work on enhancing his communication, written and computer skills.
- 3) Should work on his overall appearance.
- 4) Should make a personal note about his weaknesses during the season and try to overcome them in friendly matches.

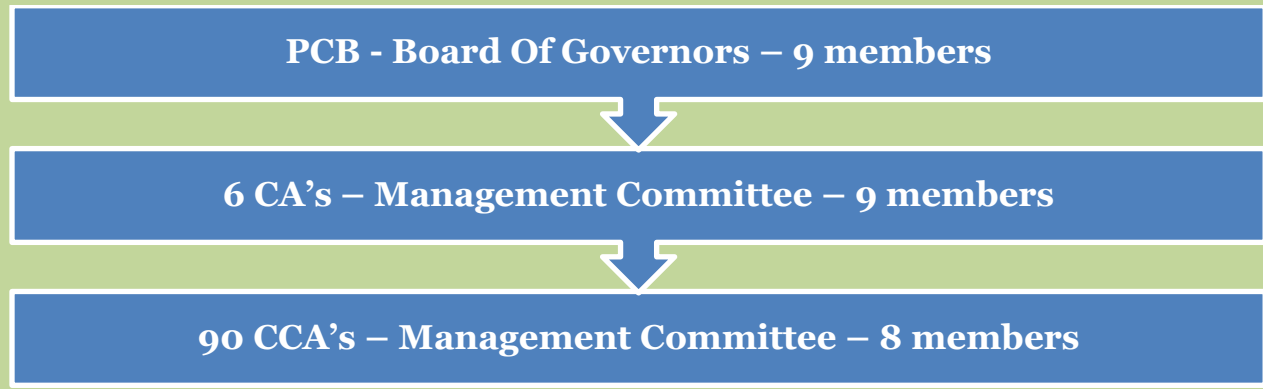
3. Domestic Playing Conditions (all formats)

PCB has an elaborated domestic playing conditions for One Day tournaments. These playing conditions can be found at <https://www.pcb.com.pk/important-documents.html> under heading Playing Conditions.

4. Structure of Pakistan Cricket

An Umpire should be aware of the structure of Pakistan cricket. Following is the summary:

a) Overview of the structure:



b) Recognition of Clubs with City Cricket Association.

Following categories of club membership are available, as per the new constitution of the PCB:

- 1) Affiliate member club - Only playing rights
- 2) Associate member club - One vote in general body of CCA
- 3) Full member club - One vote in general body of CCA

Requirements for each category of membership for the first registration and scrutiny of the cricket clubs are as under:

1) Affiliate Membership

- i.** has not less than **three Voting members** of the Club;
- ii.** has not less than **eighteen Playing Members** of the Club irrespective of their status as Voting or Non-Voting Playing Members;
- iii.** has a postal mailing address for the Club or its President from where the Club conducts its operations;
- iv.** has a functioning email address in the name of the Club;
- v.** has submitted an undertaking by the Voting Members to pay the Annual Membership Fee of Rs. 5,000/-; and
- vi.** has submitted an undertaking by the Voting Members to abide by the Model

Constitution for Clubs approved by the PCB and all applicable bylaws.

2) Associate Membership

- i. has validly adopted and executed the Club constitution at the time of scrutiny, as prescribed by the Board;
- ii. has available and has maintained the following documents related to the adoption of the new model constitution for cricket clubs approved by the PCB BOG at its meeting held on 26th June 2020 and available on the PCB website, at the time of scrutiny and records in original;
 - a. due notice of General Body meeting;
 - b. attendance sheet duly signed by the participants;
 - c. minutes of the General Body meetings;
 - d. notifications of elected office bearers of the Club; and
 - e. valid email and postal address.
- iii. has at least **ten voting members**;
- iv. has at least **eighteen Playing Members**, whether Voting or Non- Voting, **of which at least two are under the age of 18 years**;
- v. has available for its payers a net practice area as per standard where playable pitches, turf and/or cemented, are available and in respect of which a valid NOC/permission letter from the relevant authority or owner whose area/location is being used for net practice. The NOC/permission must contain the following information;
 - a. details of the usage of the net practice arrangements;
 - b. rent being charged from the Club;
 - c. the date of grant and the expiry date of the NOC/permission; and
 - d. a declaration and proof that the authority/owner owns and controls the area/location and is duly authorized to grant the NOC/permission to the Club.
- vi. ensures that no other Club uses the same pitch and net at the same time as the Club;
- vii. ensures that a voting or non-voting member or playing member of the Club is not a member or Playing Member of any other Club

affiliated with the Association or any other Association recognized by the Board; and

- viii. has submitted an undertaking by the Voting Members to abide by the Model Constitution for Clubs approved by the PCB and all applicable bylaws.

c) Full Membership

A Full Membership shall be granted to a Cricket Club who, in addition to fulfilling the criteria prescribed for an Associate Member, and fulfils the following criteria:

- i. has at least **15 Voting Members;**
- ii. has a dedicated cricket ground as per the grounds policy of the Board and not used by any other Club;
- iii. has dedicated multiple nets of specified standard;
- iv. has available more than three turf pitches; and
- v. has an operational and independent administrative office.

Note: First Membership shall be granted after scrutiny, which will be conducted by inspector(s)/inspection team. In the first scrutiny, clubs participated in either one of the two Fazal Mehmood Tournaments and fulfill the requisite criteria for the relevant membership, will be permitted to vote in the first election of CCA.

5. Written examination

After completion of the three day course on the fourth day a written test will be conducted. Each candidate should go through the overall syllabus before appearing in the course.

6. Interview

After the written test, an interview will be conducted where knowledge of the candidate regarding the syllabus for the level 1 umpiring course will be tested. During the interview, communication and speaking skills of the individual will also be judged.

7. Decision making via videos

Scenario videos of different matches will be shown to the umpires, they will be asked to make the right decision as if they are in that particular scenario. Their decisions will be marked by the assessor.

8. Physical fitness

Umpiring is a tough job and can be physically very challenging, an umpire is required to stand on the field for a full. It is very important that an umpire has to be physically fit. Physical fitness tests will be taken to judge the fitness of an umpire:

Fitness of the umpire will be marked. Following physical tests will be taken:

- a) Running 1 KM
- b) Plank
- c) Squats
- d) Sit-ups
- e) V-hold

9. Submission of Match Videos

After the course, all the candidates will be required to submit their videos (only decision clips) of officiating 10 club matches.