



# State Championship Regulations

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# Softball Victoria

## CHAMPIONSHIPS REGULATIONS

### **A. GENERAL**

- (a) The Victorian Championships (the "Championships") shall be conducted in grades of Open, Under 19, Under 17 and Under 15. Each Championship shall have a female and male section which will be allocated games dependant on the number of teams participating and previous results. Affiliated Member Associations may enter a maximum of one (1) team in each of the female and male sections.
- (b) The host Affiliated Member Association shall be determined in accordance with the roster, which shall not include School Affiliated Associations.
- (c) New Affiliated Member Associations, except School Affiliated Associations, will be added to the roster with reference to the current host cycle at the time of affiliation. Each Affiliated Association retains its place on the roster which remains as such whether or not it is able to host the Championships.
- (d) Affiliated Member Associations shall be advised 2 years in advance of when they are scheduled to host a Championship. If the Affiliated Member Association accepts; details of grounds and other relevant facts are to be forwarded to the Events Committee no later than 3 months prior to the relevant event.

The Championships dates shall be determined, upon consultation between the Events Committee and Softball Victoria and presented to the Affiliate Member Associations at the delegates meeting two (2) years in advance.

The perpetual trophies for the Championships shall remain with SV.

- (e) SV shall present to each member of the winning team of each Championship grand final, a "Champions" medallion indicating the grade and year. The winning team's Member Association shall be presented with a pennant or plaque.
- (f) SV shall present to each member of the unsuccessful team of each Championship grand final a Runners Up medallion indicating the grade and year. The runner up's Member Association shall be presented with a pennant or plaque.
- (g) SV shall present to each Umpire officiating in a Grand Final, a medallion indicating grade and year.



## **B. CHAMPIONSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

### **1. Team Entries & Registrations**

- (a) Entries for each Victorian Championship shall be lodged on the official entry form, using the prescribed method.
- (b) Associations are permitted to request to combine association teams directly to the Softball Victoria Events Committee at [events@softballvic.org.au](mailto:events@softballvic.org.au) no later than 2 weeks prior to the due date for team registrations. Maximum of two associations per combined team.
- (c) Combined association teams are not eligible to select pick-up players
- (d) The official Entry Form, together with Team Entry Fee must be submitted by Affiliated Member Associations to the Softball Victoria office to be received by the due dates advertised by Softball Victoria.
- (e) This Entry Fee is non-refundable and will be retained by SV to cover costs associated with administration, championship medallions, Affiliated Member Association pennants/plaques, and programmes.
- (f) Failure to submit official entry, with all details completed, may result in the team entry not being accepted, and shall result in a penalty of fifty dollars (\$50.00) per offence.
- (g) For all umpire requirements see Umpire section of these Regulations.
- (h) Notification of withdrawal shall be telephoned to the Softball Victoria office and confirmed immediately in writing. Withdrawal shall result in forfeiture of Entry Fee monies paid and the relevant Affiliated Member Association shall be liable to suspension should the situation warrant.
- (i) Registration forms for each team (team sheets) must be submitted to the Softball Victoria office by Affiliated Associations by the due date advertised by Softball Victoria via the requirement format.
- (j) Details on the submitted form may be altered by Affiliated Member Associations within the time frame allocated by Softball Victoria
- (k) No Amendments to team entry sheets are permitted to be made on the weekend of the tournament.
- (l) No players/officials other than those listed on the form may participate in the Championship without the prior approval of the Disputes Committee.
- (m) Failure to submit a registration form (team sheet) by the due date shall result in a penalty of \$50.00 (fifty dollars) per offence.

### **2. Coach**



- (a) Each team competing must register at least one (1) coach who holds a minimum current National Accreditation Level 3. Such registered team member must actively fulfil the role of coach for that team throughout the Championship.
- (b) All other coaches must hold a minimum current National Accreditation Level 1.
- (c) Failure to comply may result in a fine of \$200-00 (two hundred dollars) per offence.

### **3. Scorer**

- (a) Each team competing must register a scorer who holds a minimum current National Accreditation Level 2. Such registered team member must actively fulfil the role of scorer for that team throughout the Championship.
- (b) Failure to comply may result in a fine of \$200.00 (two hundred dollars) per offence.

### **4. Eligibility**

- (a) Players and officials participating in Championships must be registered members of their respective Affiliated Member Association.
- (b) Each Affiliated Member Association team may be allowed a maximum of 2 (two) pick-up players who have made themselves available
  - (i) All stand-alone association teams are eligible to select a maximum of two pick-up players from other associations
  - (ii) Combined association teams are not eligible to select pick-up players
  - (iii) o All pick-up players must have the written approval of their home association (the association they are registered with) prior to accepting an offer from another association
  - (iv) Associations have the right to refuse the request from any player to join another association as a pick-up player
  - (v) It is the responsibility of each Association to contact and recruit pick-up players and then notify the Softball Victoria Events Committee at [events@softballvic.org.au](mailto:events@softballvic.org.au) to confirm
  - (vi) Players are only eligible to play for the association they are registered with as at 1st December 2018, restricting players entering clearance requests in December and January for the purpose of State Championships selection
  - (vii) The Championship Permit form is to be completed using the online permit system (My Softball Community) and processed 7 days prior to the Championship
  - (viii) It is assumed that any pick-up player included on a registration form has had prior written approval from their home association. Failure to have approval will result in the pick-up player being removed from the registration form and no replacement player being allowed.
- (c) Maximum and minimum age for State Championships is based on 31<sup>st</sup> December of the year the summer season starts as per member registration process for all age specified competitions. For Example: 2017/18 Summer Season = 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017



- (d) It remains the responsibility of individual Affiliated Member Associations to ensure that players conform to these age limits. If a dispute arises in this regard, proof of age will be required.
- (e) Minimum age at Championships shall be:
  - a. 11 (*eleven*) years of age for Under 15 and Under 17 tournaments.
  - b. 13 (thirteen) years of age for Under 19 Championship.
  - c. 14 (fourteen) years of age for Open Championship.
- (f) Provided that a player meets the age requirements for the grade, that player may compete in more than one section of the Championship series.
- (g) It is the responsibility of the Associations to ensure that all participants are capable of participating at the required level for each Championship.

## **5. Uniforms**

- (a) Players shall wear a playing uniform as registered with SV. The uniform shall also conform to the requirements of the Rules of the Game of Softball. Each player's uniform shall have a prominently displayed number. Each player shall retain the same number throughout the Championship.
- (b) All officials shall wear a uniform as registered with SV. Enclosed shoes must be worn.
- (c) No part of the uniform/equipment authorised for use by State Representative team members and/or Development Academy members shall be worn at Victorian Championships.
- (d) Protective clothing may be worn by those players and officials on the bench in the event of inclement weather. Only a registered warm up jacket may be worn on the diamond.
- (e) All players under the age of 18 participating in State Championships must wear a cap whilst the game is in progress. Caps must be identical, in official team colours and registered with SV. If a player is wearing a face mask they can be excluded from wearing a cap.
- (f) Any player or official who is not in uniform may be reported on the official score card by the Umpire. Any such report or any infringement of these uniform requirements shall be referred to the Events Disputes Committee.
- (g) The wearing of sponsorship logos on uniforms is permitted but only with the prior approval of Softball Victoria.

## **6. Photographs**



Softball Victoria shall arrange for an official photographer to be in attendance to take team photographs on one specific day of each Championship and arrange a roster in consultation with the photographer. Affiliated Member Associations shall be responsible to arrange any changes with photographer, and shall be required to order and prepay on the day of the session.

Attendance at official team photo should be by the team only. No parents / carers to be present.

### **7. Compulsory Meetings**

Member Association Team Coaches and Managers are required to attend meetings convened prior to the commencement of the Championship or other meetings convened as necessary during the Championship.

- (a) The Tournament Chief Umpire (TCU) or delegate shall attend the Team Coaches and Managers meeting and be the first to discuss technical issues.
- (b) There shall be a meeting of ALL officiating umpires 1 hour prior to the commencement of each Championship

Nonattendance or late arrival of more than two minutes at any meeting called during the Championships shall result in a fine of \$100.00 (one hundred dollars) per offence.

### **8. Opening and Closing Ceremonies**

There shall be a closing ceremony and presentation at each Championship and all participating Affiliated Member Associations are required to have all players, officials and umpires in attendance in full uniform.

There may be an opening ceremony and all participating Affiliated Member Associations are requested to have all members in attendance as requested by the Host Affiliated Member Association.

### **9. Accommodation**

It is the responsibility of each Affiliated Member Association to arrange its own accommodation, confirm the booking in writing, pay the required deposit, and to advise the Host Affiliated Member Association in writing of its arrangements.

### **10. Team Contact**

Should a team have cause to depart the venue during a Championship other than at the end of the days competition, the Team Manager shall notify the Events Committee representative the name of a person who shall be, at any given time, at the venue and able to make immediate contact with the team.

### **11. Umpires**



- (a) The Team entry form MUST include the details of a nominated and currently registered accredited umpire, who is not participating in any other capacity, who will be available and capable of functioning as a plate umpire in the division/grade in which the entered team is playing for the duration of the tournament. Umpire nominations must be received by the date specified by the Events Committee for the team entry to be considered valid.
- (b) If an Association is unable to nominate an umpire they can request a pool umpire via the Events Committee 21 days prior to the Championships.
- (c) Should the umpire nominated on the entry form not meet these requirements, the Affiliated Member Association shall be advised accordingly and be required to resubmit an acceptable nominee by the appropriate due date.
- (d) Failure to comply will result in the team entry not being accepted.
- (e) Umpires shall wear a uniform in accordance with the Rules of the game of Softball.
- (f) Changes to the original named umpire may be made up to fourteen (14) days prior to the Championship and must be notified by the Affiliated Member Association in writing to the Events Committee. Failure to comply will result in a fine of \$100.00
- (g) All umpires must be available to officiate for the full duration of the Championship. Failure to comply will result in a fine of \$100.00 Should a rostered umpire fail to meet a commitment to an allocated game, the team for which the umpire is nominated shall be penalised
  - i. Non attendance, or arrival, at diamond more than ten (10) minutes after scheduled starting time – loss of 4 points to the team the umpire is representing.
  - ii. Late attendance at diamond within ten (10) minutes of scheduled starting time – loss of 2 points to the team the umpire is representing.
- (h) Affiliated Member Associations and each umpire shall be notified in writing by the Director of Umpiring at least seven (7) days prior to the Championship indicating whether or not the umpire is required to officiate.
- (i) Should a team withdraw from a Championship the nominated umpire is still required to attend, unless notified by the Director of Umpiring or the Events Committee.
- (j) Failure of a required umpire notified to attend a Championship shall result in a fine of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00)
- (k) If an Affiliated Member Association's nominated umpire is not required the Affiliate's obligation is considered fulfilled.
- (l) The Director of Umpiring shall submit to the Events Committee and the SV Office, a detailed report on the umpiring aspects of the Championships, including a list of Affiliated Associations in default.
- (m) All allocations of umpires for the Championships shall be the responsibility of the Victorian Umpiring Committee.



- (n) Minimum requirements for all umpires officiating at tournaments conducted under the auspices of SV:-
- (i) Current Level 1 National Accreditation.
  - (ii) Attendance at and completion of an approved Level 1 course within the last two (2) years of the closure of team entries. If the umpire has not attended a tournament for a period of 2 years, the umpire must attend a refresher course prior to attending any championship.
  - (iii) Umpire must be over the age of 18 to umpire at Open Championships. Exemptions can be applied for through the Events Committee.
- (o) Associations competing in the Under 15 Championship, must nominate at least one (1) novice umpire to attend the Championship as well as an accredited umpire.
- (i) A novice umpire is a person, with an interest in learning to umpire, who has preferably not attended a basic course nor attended a previous Championship.
  - (ii) novice umpires will participate in a training clinic and supervised practical umpiring.

## **12. Protest Committee**

- (a) It is the responsibility of the Victorian Umpiring Committee to appoint a Tournament Chief Umpire (TCU) to each Championship who shall head the Tournament Protest Committee.
- (b) The TCU shall co-opt qualified umpires who shall comprise a Protest Committee to handle protests on playing rules at all Championships.
- (c) A senior umpire examiner or a member of the Protest Committee or the TCU are empowered to deal with the protest on the spot.
- (d) Where a satisfactory result is not achieved, and the TCU has not been in attendance, the protest may be referred to the TCU.
- (e) A minimum of 3 umpires is required to hear a protest.

## **13. Tournament Management Committee**

- (a) A Tournament Management Committee of 4 persons shall be set up to operate at all Championships to cover all matters of dispute other than playing rules. This Committee shall comprise:
  - SV Board Representative assigned to the Tournament.
  - One nominated member of the host Affiliated Member Association.
  - The TCU.
  - One member of the Events Committee who shall be Chairperson.





- (b) Upon a dispute being lodged a panel of at least 3 (three) members of the TMC is to be arranged to oversee the dispute.
- (c) The TMC may impose penalties on all matters of dispute other than playing rules as it deems necessary.
- (d) As a result of extremely bad weather and/or ground conditions the TMC may suspend or cancel games and reallocate times if deemed necessary.
- (e) The Plate Umpire can SUSPEND play if it is felt to be unsafe (if lightening is seen in the vicinity, it is always immediately unsafe). Do not cancel games until scheduled game time is reached. The TMC must be called and will make a decision regarding the continuation or resumption of play. NOTE: If the game is suspended and cannot be completed and 45 minutes is played, it will be considered to be a regulation game. Should a game be washed out then it will be deemed a drawn game. Please refer to Appendix 1 – Incomplete innings.

#### **14. Official Score Area**

No participating team member or official shall enter the official score area. Any infringement of this Regulation shall be reported to and dealt with by the Championship Disputes Committee.

#### **15. Standings**

Standings in all grades shall be determined by:-

- (a) Points, which will be allocated as:  
Win = 2 points,  
Loss or Bye = 0 points,  
Draw / abandoned or cancelled game = 1 point each team
- (b) Percentage using the following formula:-  
$$\frac{\text{Number of runs scored}}{\text{Number of runs against}} \times 100$$
- (c) When a team, which is on equal points with another team, has no runs scored against them, they shall be allocated a percentage that is equal to the percentage of the other team plus 100 %.
- (d) If at the conclusion of the games, teams to compete in any Grand Final cannot be determined because standings are tied, the following procedure shall be applied:-
  - (i) The Championship Disputes Committee shall check that all recordings and calculations on the official Result Board are correct.



- (ii) In determining the standings the following factors, in order, will be used:
  - (a) Best win/loss record
  - (b) Lowest total runs scored against
  - (c) Highest total runs scored for
  - (d) Head to head game results
- (iii) Should standings still be tied, a coin will be tossed.

## **16. Games Procedure**

- (a) All games will be played under current Softball Australia Limited (SAL) Rules and Interpretations except where within this document Victorian Championship Regulations are to be applied and which will be interpreted by SV.
- (b) Each team is responsible for supplying to the plate umpire and opposing team an official team line up card (bench list) which is to be completed as per Rule 1 Section 65 of the official rules of softball. This is not an official score card.
- (c) First named team will field first and take third base side bench.
- (d) Prior to each game, each team is entitled to 5 (five) minutes warm up on the diamond which commences 11 minutes before starting time. The team on first base bench will have first use of the diamond. One (1) minute before the start the umpires will have the pre game meeting with coaches.
- (e) Scoring
  - (i) Each team scorer shall keep a true record of the entire game in a regulation scorebook.
  - (ii) Team scorers shall be permitted to sit together.
  - (iii) It is the responsibility of each team to ensure that, prior to the completion of the game, the full name of each player who has participated in that game is CLEARLY PRINTED on the back of the score card in the space provided
  - (iv) At the end of the game the result shall be recorded and the score card signed by the Plate Umpire and both team scorers
  - (v) It is the responsibility of each scorer prior to signing the card to check that the score as recorded is correct, ensure that the runs scored per innings are recorded correctly and that incomplete innings, if any, are recorded.
- (f) All games shall start and finish on the scheduled times
  - (i) All Under 15 round games shall be 1 hour 15 mins or seven (7) innings. Any batter will be permitted to finish their turn at bat.



- (ii) All Under 17, Under 19 and Open round games shall be 1 hour 20 mins or seven (7) innings. Any batter will be permitted to finish their turn at bat.
  - (iii) If a result has been obtained within 7 innings the game is complete.
  - (iv) If the game is tied after 7 innings before time is elapsed, the game shall continue, with the tie breaker rule from the start of the eighth innings, until a result is achieved or time has run out.
  - (v) When equal innings are completed with less than five (5) minutes remaining to scheduled finish of the game, the next innings shall not commence and "time and game" will be called by the umpire.
- (g) In all games, including finals, the batting team may declare their innings closed at any time, once per game.
- (h) Open Field Blocked Ball
- (i) On a diamond where there is no home run fence erected, a white arc shall be marked at a distance of 220' from home plate. Plastic cones are to be placed along the arc at spaced intervals.
  - (ii) The umpire shall judge a fair batted ball hit over the arc as a home run.
  - (iii) When a fair batted ground ball bounds past the arc, the batter and all other runners; in women's competition, shall be awarded three (3) bases, and in men's competition, they shall be awarded two (2) bases, each from the time of the pitch.
  - (iv) If the batter has touched home plate before the ball becomes blocked, then such home run shall stand.
- (i) All registered members of a team shall be required to remain in the defined bench area during the duration of pre-game procedure and the game.
- (j) Designated Runner
- (i) "DESIGNATED RUNNER", referred to as a "DR", may be used for any base runner, once only in any offensive innings. Provided it is made known prior to the start of the game and the player's name is clearly indicated on the line-up card.
  - (ii) The "DR" may be substituted for at any time by a player who then becomes the "DR". The substitute must be a player who has not been in the game.
  - (iii) The normal substitute and re-entry rules and penalties apply.
  - (iv) The Current "DR" may be used as a substitute on offence or defence, at which time the position of "DR" shall lapse and may not be reinstated.
  - (v) When the "DR" is used as a temporary runner (TR) with 2 out and a catcher is on base, then the DR is considered as being used.

Notes:

- i. A re-entry for the original DR is to be in the DR position only.
- ii. If the original DR re-enters the DR position, the substitute DR (having been now replaced) is ineligible to re-enter the game



- iii. If the starting DR is not re-entered, they would not be eligible as a substitute.
- iv. The current DR free to be substituted into the line-up at any time

(k) Temporary Runner

“A temporary runner is a player who may run for the catcher of record from the preceding half inning, who is now on base with two out. The use of a Temporary runner is optional for the offensive team coach.”

When a player, who will take the field in the immediate next defensive inning as the catcher, is on base, and there are two (2) out, any person listed on the bench-list not in the next 4 batters (other than the DR) may replace that player. The intent is to hasten the change over of innings. Time should be called by the offensive team and the plate umpire advised of the changeover.

(l) Pitching Distance

The following pitching distances shall apply at Victorian Championships in all grades/pools

- Under 15 Girls – 40'
- Under 15 Boys – 43'
- Under 17 Girls – 43'
- Under 17 Boys – 46'
- Under 19 Girls – 43'
- Under 19 Boys – 46'
- Open Women – 43'
- Open Men – 46'

(m) Intentional Base on Balls

Intentional Base on Balls rule shall not apply at all Victorian Championships.

(n) Balls

- (i) Match Balls for each game shall be provided by SV
- (ii) The ball shall be 11 inch hard core at Under 15 Championships
- (iii) The ball shall be 12 inch hard core at all other Championships

(o) Grand Finals

- (i) All Under 15 Grand Finals shall be 1 hour 20 mins or seven (7) innings and even innings are played (even when finishing the innings makes the game go past the scheduled finish time if needed); tie breaker starts next innings after scheduled finish time if needed.
- (ii) All Under 17, Under 19 and Open Grand Finals are 1 hour 30 mins or seven (7) innings and even innings are played (even when finishing the innings makes the game go past the scheduled finish time): tie breaker starts next innings after scheduled finish time if needed.



- (iii) For Grand Finals, there will be no toss. The higher ranked team shall be given the choice of Batting or Fielding first.

- (p) The ball shall be played ALIVE off the net at all Championships, unless otherwise advised by the Championship Committee

### **17. Judiciary**

The Softball Victoria Judiciary Regulations shall apply for all Victorian Championship games.

### **18. Body Fluids**

The SA Infectious Disease Policy shall apply for all Victorian Championships

### **19. Alcohol**

- (a) The consumption of alcohol is prohibited, for all participants, prior to or during any game.
- (b) Alcohol can only be served at Open Championships.
- (c) Any registered member of a team participating in a Championship found to be under the influence of alcohol shall be dealt with under the Judiciary Regulations Clause C
- (d) Responsible consumption of alcohol is permitted by registered members of a participating team provided:
  - (i) The team has finished playing for the day
  - (ii) The member is not obviously wearing team uniform

### **20. Host Associations**

Victorian Championships shall be hosted by Affiliated Member Associations on behalf of SV.

A roster, listing Affiliated Member Associations shall be maintained by the Events Committee.

- (a) Host Member Associations shall be allocated from the roster at least 2 years in advance of the relative series of Championships.
- (b) Allocations shall be made in order from the roster based on appropriateness of facilities. Host Member Associations allocated to any one series may negotiate with the Events Committee to swap their allocation for another age group.
- (c) Should an Affiliated Member Association decline to host for whatever reason they shall lose the opportunity of their turn and not be allocated until their next turn evolves in the roster.



- (d) Should an Affiliated Member Association have to decline to host due to extenuating circumstances they may lodge a request, detailing the circumstances, to the Events Committee for consideration of exemption from clause 20 (c).
- (e) New Affiliated Member Associations will be added to the roster with reference to the current host cycle at the time of affiliation. Each Affiliated Member Association retains its place on the roster which remains as such whether or not it is able to host the Championships.
- (f) Should a Member Association disaffiliate or become a Provisional Association their position on the roster shall be removed and if/when they become an Affiliated Member Association they shall not be eligible to be allocated as a host association until at least a period of two years following their return to the roster and their first allocation will be in order from the roster.
- (g) Intending Host Member Associations
  - (i) Are required to attend meetings with the Events Committee, as required.
  - (ii) Are required to provide to the Events Committee, 3 weeks prior to the Championship, a scale drawing of intended diamonds, list of facilities available for meetings, umpires, bar area, first aid or physio/massage room, including area and size.

## **21. Responsibilities of Host Affiliated Member Associations**

The Member Association shall:-

- (a) Liaise with the Events Committee to determine the quantity, layout and numbering of diamonds. Such diamonds shall be prepared as:-
  - (i) Bases shall be pegged firmly with no leeway allowed and all pegs shall be completely covered by the base.
  - (ii) An approved double base will be used at first base.
  - (iii) Back nets to allow the ball to be played alive.
  - (iv) Foul ball lines and dead ball lines are marked out to 220'.
  - (v) Temporary home run fences shall be set at 220'. At all Championships, where diamonds without home run fences are used, a white arc is to be marked at a distance of 220' from home plate. Cones, to be provided by Softball Victoria, are to be placed along the arc at spaced intervals.
  - (vi) There should be adequate warm up areas.
  - (vii) Bench areas shall be clearly defined on all diamonds
- (b) Programmes and Souvenirs
  - (i) Ensure that any merchandise to be sold during the Championship does not conflict with any Softball Victoria commercial arrangement.
- (c) Catering



- (i) The host Affiliated Association shall provide adequate canteen facilities, including drinks, hot & cold food. SV can provide information on catering amounts needed based on the size/duration of the tournament
  - (ii) Consider operation of a bar, Open Championships only, provided the appropriate licence is obtained and adhered to. Bars will not be operated throughout the duration of any other Championships.
- (d) Ensure suitable first aid provision.
- (e) Provide an adequate public address system.
- (f) Display prominently an official clock
- (g) Defined bench areas shall be marked on all diamonds
- (h) Appoint an official registrar whose duties are:
- (i) To keep a full and complete record of all players who participate at the Championships on the official team registration form submitted
  - (ii) To report to the Events Committee any violations pertaining to the eligibility of players
  - (iii) Return the register to the Events Committee at the conclusion of each Championship
- (i) Appoint an official score recorder whose duties are:
- (i) Complete the game details on the front of the official scorecard
  - (ii) Arrange for the distribution and return of the official scorecard for each game
  - (iii) Provide an official results board for each grade which shall be exhibited in a prominent location
- (j) Keep such board up to date after each round, showing wins, losses, draws, scores. Points awarded (win 2 points, draw 1 point, loss nil point) and progressive runs for and against.
- (k) Arrange venues
- (i) For meetings of team officials and umpires on the first morning of the Championship
  - (ii) The venue for umpires must be large enough to accommodate no less than 35 adults and their respective umpiring gear and shall include separate female and male changing facilities.



- (iii) The venue for the umpires shall be for the exclusive use by the umpires, available during the entire tournament, and be provided with tea & coffee making facilities and cool water.
  
- (l) Convene a **COMPULSORY** meeting 1 hour prior to the commencement of the first game of the Championship to be attended by all Team Officials.
  
- (m) Conduct a closing ceremony and in liaison with the Events Committee arrange presentations.
  
- (n) Report in writing regarding:-
  - (i) The progress to date, on Championships arrangements at the April/May and October delegate meetings prior to the Championship they are to host and the outcome of the Championship at the April/May delegate meeting, following the Championship.
  
  - (ii) Provide results of games and official result boards to the Events Committee immediately after the Championship.





## Appendix 1: Incomplete Innings

#	At the last completed inning	In the final (incomplete) inning		Result
1	TOP leading 7–5	TOP scores more runs	BOTTOM does not bat	Score reverts to 7–5
2	TOP leading 7–5	TOP does not score	BOTTOM scores less than 2 runs	Score reverts to 7–5
3	TOP leading 7–5	TOP scores 3 runs	BOTTOM scores less than 5 runs	Score reverts to 7–5
4	TOP leading 7–5	TOP scores 3 runs	BOTTOM scores 5 runs	Score stands at 10–10
5	TOP leading 7–5	TOP scores 3 runs	BOTTOM scores 6 runs	Score stands at 10–11
6	BOTTOM leading 2–6	TOP scores 3 runs	BOTTOM does not bat	Score stands at 5–6
7	BOTTOM leading 2–6	TOP scores 4 runs	BOTTOM does not bat	Score reverts to 2–6
8	BOTTOM leading 2–6	TOP scores 4 runs	BOTTOM scores less than 2 runs	Score reverts to 2–6
9	BOTTOM leading 2–6	TOP scores 6 runs	BOTTOM scores 2 runs	Score stands at 8–8
10	BOTTOM leading 2–6	TOP scores 6 runs	BOTTOM scores 3 runs	Score stands at 8–9
11	BOTTOM leading 2–6	TOP scores 2 runs	BOTTOM does not score	Score stands at 4–6
12	BOTTOM leading 4–7	TOP scores 5 runs	BOTTOM scores 1 run and completes the inning	Score stands at 9–8

## Appendix 2: Version Controlled Document History

Date	Previous Version	Who	Changes/description
01 March 2017	May 2010	C&E Committee	Update to DR, TR, Meetings, Umpires, TMC lightening policy.
08 Sept 2017	Marc 2017	C&E Committee	Update to reflect suspension of games, use of technology for forms.
13 December 2018	March 2017	Softball Victoria	Update for combined teams and pick up players.