

A SHORT GUIDE TO SCORING

Cricket matches need scorers to record runs scored, wickets taken and overs bowled.

The purpose of this Guide is to give guidance to those who are new to scoring and players who score only part of an innings

THE BATTING SECTION OF THE SCORING RECORD

- You should have received a team list, hopefully with the batting order identified.
- Record the name of the batsman in pencil or as the innings progresses - captains often change the batting order!
- Indicate the captain with an asterisk (*) and the wicket keeper with a dagger symbol (†).
- When a batsman is out, draw diagonal lines // in the 'Runs Scored' section after all entries for that batsman to show that the innings is completed.
- Record the method of dismissal in the "how out" column.
- Write the bowler's name in the "bowler" column **only** if the bowler gets credit for the dismissal.
- When a batsman's innings is completed record his total score.

CUMULATIVE SCORE

- Use one stroke to cross off each incident of runs scored.
- When more than one run is scored and the total is taken onto the next row of the cumulator this should be indicated as shown below.

Cumulative Run Tally									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19

END OF OVER SCORE

- At the end of each over enter the total score, number of wickets fallen and bowler number.

THE BOWLING SECTION OF THE SCORING RECORD

The over

- Always record the balls in the over in the same sequence in the overs box.
- An over containing Wide or No balls, show balls **7 & 8** as highlighted.

1	2	3
7	8	
4	5	6

1	7	4
2	8	5
3		6

- All balls bowled must be entered.
- If the umpire gives a 7 ball over record a 7 ball over.
- If there are only 5 deliveries in the over that is all you should record.
- A Maiden over is a complete over by a single bowler in which there is no score against that bowler. The dots should be joined together to form an "M".
- A Maiden over *cannot* contain a Wide ball or a No ball.
- An accidental 5 or 7 ball over is a completed over when counting up the number of overs bowled. As a completed over, it can be a Maiden over.
- A part over for any other reason can never be a Maiden over.
- If a wicket falls that is credited to the bowler enter a "w" for that delivery.
- If a wicket credited to the bowler falls in a Maiden over it becomes a 'wicket maiden'. Join the dots and "w" together to form a "W".
- Numerals are used **only** for runs made when the ball has been struck by the bat.

BYES AND LEG BYES

- Can be entered as a dot but it is better to use a symbol.
 Byes Triangle, point upwards Δ
 Leg byes Triangle, point down ∇
- Runs made as byes or leg byes are recorded in the appropriate line of fielding extras.

WIDES AND NO BALLS

- Under MCC Laws of Cricket a one run penalty is awarded for a No ball or a Wide in addition to any other runs made.
- All Wide balls and No balls count against the bowler in the bowling analysis.
- An over containing a Wide ball or a No ball cannot be a maiden over.
- A Wide or a No ball is not a fair delivery and does not count as a ball in the over.
- If a wicket falls when a Wide ball or No ball has been bowled and there are no other runs, record the 1 run penalty *before* entering the score at the fall of the wicket.

SUMMARISE THE BOWLING

- Complete the total number of overs, maidens, runs and wickets for each bowler at the end of the innings.
- If an over is incomplete each *fair* delivery in the part over is expressed as 0.1 ball.
- Calculate and record the number of no ball and wide deliveries, the total number of balls bowled and the average for each bowler.
- Total these figures to provide a summary of balls, overs, maidens, runs and wickets for the entire innings.

RECORDING THE SCORE FROM A NO BALL DELIVERY

BALL NOT HIT BY STRIKER	SCORED AS	RECORDED AS
Batsmen do not run	1 No Ball EXTRA	○
Batsmen run 1, 2 or 3	2, 3 or 4 No Ball EXTRAS	⊙ ⊙ ⊙
Batsmen run 4 or ball crosses the boundary	5 No Ball EXTRAS	⊙

BALL HIT BY STRIKER	SCORED AS	RECORDED AS
Batsmen do not run	1 No Ball EXTRA	○
Batsmen run 1, 2 or 3	1,2 or 3 to STRIKER & 1 No Ball EXTRA	① ② ③
Boundary 4 or 6 signalled	4 or 6 to STRIKER & 1 No ball EXTRA	④ ⑥

RECORDING THE SCORE FROM A WIDE DELIVERY (A WIDE BALL CANNOT BE HIT)

	SCORED AS	RECORDED AS
Batsmen do not run	1 Wide EXTRA	+
Batsmen run 1, 2 or 3	2, 3 or 4 Wide EXTRAS	+ + +
Boundary signalled	5 Wide EXTRAS	+
Batsman out Stumped or Hit Wicket (wicket credited to bowler)	1 Wide Extra	+ ^w