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Description automatically generated**SAAS One Day 45 Over Cricket**

**The Competition**

Matches are played between SAAS First XI teams, normally on Saturday afternoons.

In each match, each team has the opportunity to bat for forty-five overs unless all out, unless the match is reduced due to ground, weather or light conditions or unless a result is achieved.

All match results need to be entered into playerHQ by 5 p.m. the following Tuesday (for a Saturday match).

Match points are allocated on the basis of:

* Win 4 Points
* Tie 2 Points
* Draw (e.g. a washout) 2 points
* Loss 0 Points

In both Division One and Division Two, on completion of the minor round, the winner of each pool will progress to the Grand Final.

The team which finished the minor round with the most points will host the Grand Final. If teams are equal on points then hosting rights will be determined by percentage.

Percentage is determined using a team’s Net Run Rate (NRR) for the competition, calculated cumulatively over all fixtures completed (disregarding any drawn/no result matches). This is calculated using the formula:

**Net Run Rate = (Run Rate For) – (Run Rate Against)** where,

* (Run Rate For) = (Runs Scored by Team) / (Number of Overs Faced)
* (Run Rate Against) = (Runs Scored by Opponent Team) / (Number of Overs Bowled)

**Note:** If a team bowls the other team out inside 45 overs, then the Run Rate Against will be determined using 45 as the number of overs in that completed innings. Example: if the team is dismissed for 160 in 35 overs; the bowling team has a Run Rate Against for that innings of 180/45 = 4.

If a team is unable to play in the Grand Final, then the next team in that pool with the highest points, or if equal with another team, the highest percentage, will have the opportunity to progress to the Grand Final.

**Quick Reference Guide**

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| **Point System** | * Win 4 Points * Tie 2 Points * Washout 2 points * Loss 0 Points |
| **Hours of Play** | 12: 00 p.m. to 2: 50 p.m. First Session (Schools can start earlier under negotiation)  2: 50 p.m. to 3: 20 p.m. Tea (nominal time)  3: 20 p.m. to 6: 00 p.m. Second Session |
| **Overs** | 45 overs per innings / Over rate 16 overs per hour |
| **Drinks** | 22 overs (5-minute drinks break) |
| **Ball** | 156 Gram Kookaburra Regulation |
| **Bowling Overs** | 5 Bowlers = 9 over Maximum per bowler |
| **Fielding Restrictions** | Powerplay 1 - 1 to 10 = 2 Fielders permitted out of the ring  Powerplay 2 - 11 to 30 = 4 Fielders permitted out of the ring  Powerplay 3 – 31 to 45 = 5 Fielders permitted out of the ring |
| **No Ball** | Free Hit after any No-ball |

**Weather Affected Rounds**

In the case where a round has been rain effected, the following will be actioned.

a) If a team is able to play the match due to not being affected by weather, or use of covers allowed play, the results from this game will count towards the premiership ladder. Teams that could not play or achieve a result will be awarded two (2) points each for a washout.

b) In the case that no teams are able to play at all, or play enough to achieve a result, then the entire round will be deemed a wash out and all teams scheduled to play on the day will receive two (2) points. These matches cannot be rescheduled for SAAS points.

c) If a game in that round was already scheduled in the fixture to be played on another date, then the results from this game will count when played (if completed) as it is a programmed match.

**Finals Affected by Weather**

a) Should a programmed Finals game be impacted by weather, such that a game cannot be played to produce a result, the team sitting higher on the ladder will progress to the next round.

b) If the Grand Final is impacted by weather, such that it cannot be played to produce a result, both teams have the option to reschedule to a later date. If an alternative agreement cannot be made, then the team sitting higher on the ladder will win the title.

c) In Finals, a host school shall use their own or source Full Pitch Square covers to ensure every opportunity for play to occur.

**Presentations after Grand Finals (Applicable to both the One Day and T20 competitions)**

Both teams will come together at the conclusion of the game for Trophy and Medal presentations, which will take place on the field, close to the boundary so spectators can both view any presentations and hear any speeches.

Either an official from SAAS or the Match Officials from the game will nominate the Man of the Match winner. He/she is presented and speaks.

Both captains will be invited to say a few words where it is customary to thank their opponents, the umpires and organisers of the day, before congratulating their team and thanking their coach(es) and team manager.

The losing captain speaks first. The winning captain is presented with the trophy then speaks.

Presentations to individual players in the winning team may follow.

The losing team is expected to remain on the ground until presentations are complete.

**One Day 45 Over Playing Conditions**

These Playing Conditions need to be read in conjunction with the Laws of Cricket. Where not specified in these Playing Conditions the Laws of Cricket as written apply.

**Law 1 - The Players**

A team may consist of eleven (11) or (twelve) 12 named players. Eleven (11) fielders only may be on the field of play at anyone (1) time. Interchange of fielders without restriction is permitted (provided no time is wasted) and there shall be no requirement for a bowler to be on the field for a certain length of time following an absence.

Only eleven (11) players shall be permitted to bat in any innings. The captain is not required to nominate the player who will not bat in advance and may make such decision at any time.

**Dress**

Coloured clothing is encouraged, however, is optional. Teams need to be mindful of a clash between their colours and the colour of the ball. Coloured uniforms need to be approved by the SAAS office to ensure that there is no clash. Thus, for example, red batting pads against a team bowling with a red ball would be inappropriate.

**Law 4 – The Ball**

In One Day 45 Over matches a new four-piece Kookaburra Regulation Red 156-gram ball approved by the umpires shall be used.

**4.5 Ball Lost or Becoming Unfit for Play**

The following shall apply in addition to Law 4.5:

In the event of a ball becoming wet and soggy as a result of play continuing in inclement weather or it being affected by dew, and in the opinion of the umpires being unfit for play, the ball may be replaced by a ball that has had a similar amount of wear. Either bowler or batters may raise the matter with the umpires and the umpires’ decision as to a replacement or otherwise will be final.

**Law 11- Intervals**

The following shall apply in addition to Law 11

If the innings of the team batting first is completed prior to the scheduled time for the interval, the interval shall take place immediately and the innings of the team batting second will commence correspondingly earlier.

**Drinks**

One drinks interval of five (5) minutes is to be taken after 22 overs.

In hot weather, it shall be permissible with the approval of the umpires for drinks to be taken more than once in each session (after over 15 and over 28, both for four (4) minutes). In addition, any player(s) whom an umpire considers is indisposed or unduly affected by the heat shall be permitted to receive a drink between overs or at any other break in play, provided the time taken is minimised, and that the umpires are entirely satisfied that no time is deliberately wasted.

An individual player may be given a drink either on the boundary edge or at the fall of a wicket, on the field, provided that no playing time is wasted. No other drinks shall be taken onto the field without the permission of the umpires. Any player taking drinks onto the field shall be dressed in proper cricket attire.

**Law 10 – Covering the Pitch**

It is strongly recommended that schools use pitch covers.

Where covers are used, they should cover the whole square, not just the pitch itself.

Covers must be used in Finals.

**Law 12 – Start of Play: Cessation of Play**

**Note:** Every endeavour should be made to commence matches promptly at the scheduled time. Umpires shall advise the captains five (5) minutes before the scheduled commencement of play that they are about to take up their positions on the field.

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**Scheduled Playing Hours, Intervals and Required Overs Shall Be:**

12: 00 p.m. to 2: 50 p.m. First Session

2: 50 p.m. to 3: 20 p.m. Tea (nominal time)

3: 25 p.m. to 6: 00 p.m. Second Session

Start times may vary provided both teams agree.

If the start of the match is delayed and more than sixty (60) minutes of actual playing time is lost, then the interval between innings is to be reduced from thirty (30) to twenty (20) minutes.

Note: If pitch conditions at the scheduled start of play are unsuitable but may improve with a delayed start, then the start may be delayed up to forty (40) minutes before time/overs are taken out of the game.

The latest possible start time to achieve a result is 4.10 p.m. If play has not commenced by this time, play shall be abandoned for the day.

**Law 13 – Innings**

(a) Each team shall bat for forty-five (45) overs unless all out earlier. A team shall not be permitted to declare its innings closed.

(b) If the team fielding first fails to bowl the required number of overs by the scheduled time for cessation of the first innings, play shall continue until the required number of overs has been bowled. The team batting second shall receive its full quota of forty-five (45) overs irrespective of the number of overs it bowled in the scheduled time for the cessation of the first innings.

(c) If the team batting first is dismissed in less than forty-five (45) overs, the team batting second shall be entitled to bat for forty-five (45) overs or until a result is achieved.

(d) If the team fielding second fails to bowl forty-five (45) overs by the scheduled cessation time, the hours of play shall be extended until the required number of overs has been bowled or a result is achieved.

**Delayed or Interrupted Matches**

**Delay to the Innings of the Team Batting First**

**Note: As stated above, time lost from the match does not cause overs to be reduced until 40 minutes of playing time is lost – the scheduled finish time is pushed back until 6.30 p.m. to accommodate this.**

(e) When playing time has been lost the revised number of overs to be bowled in the match shall be based on a rate of four (4) minutes per over in the total remaining time available for play.

(f) The revision of the number of overs should ensure, whenever possible, that both teams have the opportunity of batting for the same number of overs. The team batting second shall not bat for a greater number of overs than the first team, unless the latter completed its innings in less than its allocated overs.

(g) To constitute a match, a minimum of fifteen (15) overs (twenty (20) overs in Finals) have to be bowled to the side batting second, subject to the innings not being completed earlier.

(h) A fixed time will be specified for the commencement of the interval, and also the close of play for the match, by applying a rate of four (4) minutes per over. When calculating the length of playing time available for the match, or the length of either innings, the timing and duration of all relative delays, extensions in playing hours, interruptions in play, and intervals.

(i) If the team fielding first fails to bowl the revised number of overs by the specified time, play shall continue until the required number of overs have been bowled or the innings is completed.

**Example 1** Play is delayed until 12.50 p.m. Rescheduled finish time is 6.30 p.m.

Playing time available is 340 minutes – 30 minutes (interval) = 310 minutes

Divide 310 by 4 minutes per over = 77.5 overs remaining

Therefore, both teams can bat for 39 overs

**Example 2** Play is delayed until 12.30 p.m. Rescheduled finish time is 6.20 p.m.

Playing time available is 350 minutes – 30 minutes (interval) = 320 minutes

Divide 320 by 4 minutes per over = 80 overs remaining

Therefore, both teams can bat for 40 overs. There is a 5 over reduction in the match

**Example 3** Play is delayed until 2.45 p.m. Rescheduled finish time is 6.30 p.m.

Playing time available is 225 minutes – 20 minutes (interval) = 205 minutes

Divide 205 by 4 minutes per over = 51.25 overs remaining

Therefore, both teams can bat for 26 overs.

**Interruption to the Innings of the Team Batting First or Second**

(j) Once play has commenced, there shall be no reduction in overs due to time being lost due to pitch, ground, weather, or light condition. The latest play can continue until is 6.30 p.m.

(k) If an over is still in progress at 6.30 p.m., the over will be finished before play ceases.

(l) If a result has not been achieved, then the game shall be deemed a draw and each side will receive two (2) points.

**13.4 The Toss**

(q) The captains (Blazers to be worn) shall toss a coin for the choice of innings, on the field of play and in the presence of one or both of the umpires, a minimum of twenty (20) minutes before the scheduled or any rescheduled time for the start of play.

**Law 16 – The Result**

The following shall apply in addition to Law 16.

(a) A result can be achieved only if both teams have had the opportunity of batting for at least fifteen (15) overs, (twenty (20) overs in Finals), unless one (1) team has been all out in less than fifteen (15) overs (twenty (20) in Finals) or unless the team batting second scores enough runs to win in less than fifteen (15) overs (twenty (20) in Finals).

**Tied Match**

**In the minor round, if at the end of the match the scores are equal, the result is a tie, with each team receiving 2 points.**

In all matches in Finals in which the scores are equal, the result shall be determined through a tie-breaker “One1 Eliminator” whereby each team bats for one further over. The “One1 Eliminator” shall occur as follows:

(a) Subject to weather conditions the One1 Eliminator will take place on the scheduled day of the match at a time to be determined by the Umpires. In normal circumstances it shall commence five (5) minutes after the conclusion of the match.

(b) The One1 Eliminator will take place on the pitch allocated for the match. The team who initially batted first, bats first in the One Over1 Eliminator. The umpires stand at the same ends as they did during the match and shall not change ends during the One1 Eliminator. The fielding side shall choose which end to bowl from. Both teams bowl their over from this end.

(c) Prior to the commencement of the One1 Eliminator, each team shall select three batsmen and one bowler who shall already have played in the match and the selected players are given in writing or clearly nominated to the umpires.

(d) Each team’s over is played with the same fielding restrictions as those that are in place for the last over of a normal Forty Over match i.e. up to five (5) fielders outside the circle.

(e) No Balls and Wides are called using the same criteria as during the match and attract the same penalties. They need to be rebowled so the over has six legal deliveries.

(f) The same ball (or a ball of a similar age if the original ball is out of shape) used at the end of the second team’s innings shall be used for both team’s “extra” over.

(g) The loss of two wickets in the over ends the team’s one over innings.

(h) The break between the first and second batting innings shall be five (5) minutes.

(i) In the event of the teams having the same score after the One1 Eliminator has been completed, the team that hit the greatest number of boundaries (fours and sixes) combined from its two innings in both the main match and the One1 Eliminator shall be the winner.

(j) If the number of boundaries hit by both teams is equal, the team that hit the greatest number of boundaries (fours and sixes) in the One1 Eliminator will be declared the winner.

(k) In the event that the result is still a Tie after the One1 Eliminator and clauses (g) and (h) above have been applied, the One1 Eliminator (clauses (a)-(j)) shall be repeated until a winner is obtained.

**Law 17 – The Over**

No bowler may bowl more than nine (9) overs, however in a delayed start or interrupted match, where the overs are reduced for both sides or for the side bowling second, no bowler may bowl more than one-fifth (1/5) of the total overs allowed.

**Example**: a match reduced to 28 overs per team would see three bowlers allowed to bowl a maximum of six (6) overs and two allowed to bowl a maximum of five (5) overs (if only five bowlers are used).

In the event of a bowler breaking down and being unable to complete an over, the remaining balls will be bowled by another bowler. Such part of an over will count as a full over only in so far as each bowler's limit is concerned.

Players of any age and bowling type can bowl their nine (9) over spell in consecutive overs i.e. all in one spell.

**Law 21 – No Ball**

**Free Hit after a No Ball**

The delivery following any No Ball (Law 24.5) shall be a free hit for whichever batter is facing it. If the delivery for the free hit is not a legitimate delivery (any kind of No Ball or a Wide), then the next delivery will become a free hit for whichever batter is facing it.

For any free hit, the striker can be dismissed only under the circumstances that apply for a No Ball, even if the delivery for the free hit is called a ‘Wide ball’.

Changes to fielding positions are only permitted if a different batter is on strike for the free hit delivery.

The bowler’s end umpire will clearly signal a free hit by (after the normal No ball signal) attracting the batsman’s attention, calling ‘Free Hit’ so the fielding team can hear and extending one (1) arm straight upwards and moving it in a circular motion.

**Law 22 – Wide Ball**

Law 22 shall apply with the following addition to Law 22.1 and 25.4:

(a) Umpires are instructed to apply very strict and consistent interpretation regarding this Law in order to prevent negative bowling wide of the wicket.

(b) Lines shall be drawn from the popping crease to the bowling crease, parallel with the return crease, measured seventeen (17) inches (43.18 cm) from the return crease on both sides of the pitch –

* A delivery passing the striker on the offside outside the Offside Wide Line shall be a Wide.

(c) A delivery passing the striker’s stumps on the leg side without any contact with the striker’s bat or person shall be a Wide unless:

* The ball passes between the striker and the stumps.
* The striker attempting to play, or has aborted an attempt to play, a reverse sweep or switch hit. In this scenario only a delivery passing the striker outside the Offside Wide Line on the leg side shall be a Wide. **(**Note: In this situation the striker essentially creates two offsides. The original offside (before the attempted switch hit or reverse sweep) and a new offside caused by the changed position. For the umpire the original offside and leg side remains throughout in considering LBW).

**Law 25 – Batsman’s Innings; Runners**

Law 25 shall apply subject to the following:

(a) A batsman shall always wear a helmet when batting against fast or medium-paced bowling.

(b) The match umpires are the sole judge of whether bowling is fast or medium-paced and will judge the pace of bowling against what is considered “fast,” “medium-paced” or “slow” within the context of that particular match.

(c) The players, captains and umpires shall be responsible for ensuring that a helmet is worn when required by playing condition (a) above.

(d) The umpires shall not allow the match to continue if they become aware of a batsman failing to wear a helmet when required by this playing condition.

**Law 26 – Practice on the Field**

The following replaces Law 26.1: There shall be no bowling or batting practice on the pitch, or on the area parallel and immediately adjacent to the pitch, or anywhere on the square, at any time on any day of the match prior to the conclusion of the match.

**Law 27 – The Wicket-Keeper**

Law 27 shall apply subject to the following:

(a) At all times when wicket-keeping up to the stumps, the wicket-keeper shall wear a helmet.

(b) The players, captains and umpires shall be responsible for ensuring that a helmet is worn when required by this playing condition.

(c) The umpires shall not allow the match to continue if they become aware of a wicket-keeper failing to wear a helmet when required by this playing condition.

**Law 28 – The Fielder**

**Field Restrictions and Powerplay Overs**

(a) At the instant of delivery, there may not be more than five (5) fieldsmen on the leg side.

(b) In addition to the restriction contained in playing condition 27 (a) above, further fielding restrictions shall apply to certain overs in each innings. The nature of such fielding restrictions and the overs during which they shall apply are set out in the following paragraphs. The following fielding restrictions shall apply:

(c) Two semi-circles shall be drawn on the field of play. The semi-circles shall have as their centre the middle stump at either end of the pitch. The radius of each of the semi-circles shall be 30 yards (27.43 metres). The fielding restriction areas should be marked by continuous painted white lines or ‘dots’ at 5-yard (4.57 metres) intervals.

At the instant of delivery:

(d) **Powerplay 1** - no more than two (2) fielders shall be permitted outside this fielding restriction area. In an innings of 45 overs, these are overs 1 to 10 inclusive.

(e) **Powerplay 2** - no more than four (4) fielders shall be permitted outside this fielding restriction area. In an innings of 45 overs, these are overs 11 to 30 inclusive.

(f) **Powerplay 3** – no more than five (5) fielders shall be permitted outside this fielding restriction area. In an innings of 45 overs, these are overs 31 to 45 inclusive,

(g) In circumstances when the number of overs of the batting team is reduced, the number of overs within each Powerplay of the innings shall be reduced in accordance with the table below.

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| **Innings Duration (Overs)** | **Powerplay One (1)** | **Powerplay Two (2)** | **Powerplay Three (3)** | **Innings Duration (Overs)** | **Powerplay One (1)** | **Powerplay Two (2)** | **Powerplay Three (3)** |
| **15** | 4 | 7 | 4 | **31** | 8 | 15 | 8 |
| **16** | 4 | 8 | 4 | **32** | 8 | 16 | 8 |
| **17** | 5 | 8 | 4 | **33** | 9 | 16 | 8 |
| **18** | 5 | 8 | 5 | **34** | 9 | 16 | 9 |
| **19** | 5 | 9 | 5 | **35** | 9 | 17 | 9 |
| **20** | 5 | 10 | 5 | **36** | 9 | 18 | 9 |
| **21** | 6 | 10 | 5 | **37** | 10 | 18 | 9 |
| **22** | 6 | 10 | 6 | **38** | 10 | 18 | 10 |
| **23** | 6 | 11 | 6 | **39** | 10 | 19 | 10 |
| **24** | 6 | 12 | 6 | **40** | 10 | 20 | 10 |
| **25** | 7 | 12 | 6 | **41** | 10 | 20 | 10 |
| **26** | 7 | 12 | 7 | **42** | 10 | 20 | 10 |
| **27** | 7 | 13 | 7 | **43** | 10 | 20 | 10 |
| **28** | 7 | 14 | 7 | **44** | 10 | 20 | 10 |
| **29** | 8 | 14 | 7 | **45** | 10 | 20 | 10 |
| **30** | 8 | 14 | 8 |  |  |  |  |

(h) In the event of an infringement of any of the above fielding restrictions, the square leg umpire shall call and signal ‘No Ball’.

**Wearing of Helmets**

At all times when fielding in a position closer than seven (7) metres (ten (10) metres for players under the age of 16) from the batter’s position on the popping crease on a middle stump line a player shall wear a helmet. The exception to this is fielding behind square on the offside i.e. slips and gully.

**Law 41 Unfair Play**

The following shall apply in addition to Law 41:

**41.6 Bowling of Dangerous and Unfair Short Pitched Deliveries**

(a) A bowler shall be allowed to bowl one (1) fast short-pitched ball per over.

(b) A fast short-pitched ball is defined as a ball which, after pitching, passes or would have passed above shoulder height of the batter standing upright in his/her normal guard position at the crease, but not clearly above his/her head.

(c) The umpire at the bowler’s end shall advise the bowler and the batter on strike when a fast short-pitched delivery has been bowled.

(d) In addition, for the purpose of this clause, a ball that passes clearly above head height of the batter, other than a fast short-pitched ball as defined above, that prevents him/her from being able to hit it with his/her bat by means of a normal cricket stroke shall be called ‘Wide ball’ and will also count as an allowable ball above shoulder height for that over.

(e) In the event of a bowler bowling more than one (1) fast short-pitched deliveries in an over as defined above, the umpire at the bowler’s end shall call and signal ‘No ball’ on each occasion. A distinguishing signal shall be used to signify a No ball from a fast short-pitched delivery: the umpire shall call and signal ‘No ball’ and then tap the head with the other hand. In addition, when the ball is dead, the umpire shall caution the bowler, inform the captain of the fielding side, the batters at the wicket and the other umpire of what has occurred. This caution shall apply throughout the innings.

(f) If there is a second instance of the bowler being no balled for bowling more than one (1) fast short-pitched delivery in an over, the umpire shall repeat the procedure above and advise the bowler that this is his/her final warning.

(g) Should there be any further instance by the same bowler in that innings, the umpire shall call and signal No ball” and when the ball is dead, direct the captain to take the bowler off forthwith. If necessary, the over shall be completed by another bowler, who shall neither have bowled the previous over or part thereof nor be allowed to bowl the next over or part thereof.

(h) This regulation is not a substitute for any other Laws of Cricket or Bylaws re Dangerous and Unfair Bowling that umpires may apply at any time.

(i) For all bowlers the caution, final warning and taking-off of the bowler (under either the short pitched or full-pitched restriction (applicable to both fast/medium and slow bowlers)) shall be applied only when the bowler’s end umpire considers the delivery was dangerous to the batter.

**41.9 and 41.10 Time Wasting**

Umpires shall be vigilant in ensuring that no time wasting occurs during any period of play. This includes time wasted by the batting team. The umpires are expected to regularly inform captains whether they are behind the required rate or not.

The bowling team is required to have finished bowling its twenty (20) overs in the allocated eighty (80) minutes.

After allowing for any interruptions e.g. lost ball, player injury or exceptional circumstances beyond the control of the fielding team, the umpires will determine actual playing time. If necessary, the umpires can penalise teams for a slow over rate through a penalty of 6 runs being deducted from that team’s ‘runs for’ accumulation for every over not bowled in the allocated time, i.e. any penalty impacts on the calculation of percentage, rather than the scores on the day. The umpires are, of course, able to give a 5 (five) run penalty during play against either team for time wasting, which they consider deliberate and unfair and which persists after an initial warning.

The SAAS office is to be informed of any recommended penalty(ies) to the team’s ‘runs for’ allocation when results are sent through.

Penalties shall not apply until the innings has been in progress for a minimum of one hundred and sixty (160) minutes