



## **RESPONSIBILITY AND APPROVAL FOR CRICKET IN THE WEST INDIES**

With effect from 1 August 2010

The following regulations for the approval of cricket in the West Indies are in accordance with the Regulations on Approved and Disapproved Cricket and Domestic Cricket Events of the International Cricket Council (ICC), which came into force on 1 June 2009

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### **1. Rationale and Requirement for the Approval of Matches**

- (a) The West Indies Cricket Board (WICB) is the sole governing authority for cricket in the West Indies and is duly directly responsible for all cricket arranged and played in the West Indies, at every level.
- (b) It is the exclusive right and responsibility of the West Indies Cricket Board to retain control over cricket matches and events played within the West Indies and therefore to determine whether or not a particular match within the West Indies should receive its approval to take place.
- (c) Accordingly, all matches in the West Indies or cricket events held in the West Indies require the approval of the WICB unless they are already specifically approved or pre-approved in accordance with Clause 2.
- (d) Territorial Boards are responsible for all Domestic Cricket played under their supervision in their respective territories and each Territorial Board must ensure that approval is sought from the West Indies Cricket Board for any Domestic Cricket played in its territory. Where approval is granted this should be documented in a manner which protects every WICB interest.
- (e) In determining whether a match or event should receive approval, the WICB will consider its responsibilities as custodian of cricket in the West Indies and whether the proposed match or event is in the best interest of the sport of Cricket and in the best interest of the West Indies Cricket Board.

### **2. Approved and Pre-Approved Cricket**

- (a) The list of matches which have received the approval of the West Indies Cricket Board are attached to this document as Appendix II.

- (b) No further approval needs to be sought for these matches/events.

### 3. Procedure for submitting Requests for Approval

- (a) Any application for approval of a cricket match or event must be made in writing to the West Indies Cricket Board not less than thirty (30) days in advance of the scheduled start of the match or event. However, in exceptional circumstances, the WICB may, in its sole discretion, consider applications received less than thirty (30) days in advance of the scheduled match or event.

- (b) The application should be addressed as follows:

For Attention of:        Director of Cricket  
                                  West Indies Cricket Board Inc.  
                                  PO Box 616W, Factory Road  
                                  St. John's, Antigua

Email: [wicb@windiescricket.com](mailto:wicb@windiescricket.com)

Fax:     +1 268 481 2498

- (c) In particular, each application should set out full and detailed information in relation to the following:

- (i) Name of the applicant and any other match organiser, its relationship to the match and its authority to make the application
- (ii) Date, timing and format of the proposed match or event
- (iii) Proposed venue(s) of the match or event

### 4. Criteria for Approval

- (a) Any conflict with matches or events already in the International or Domestic Cricket calendar and/or agreements to which the WICB and/or the International Cricket Council (ICC) or other ICC Members are party.
- (b) The need to ensure a fair and equitable allocation of calendar space among different events and matches (including formats of matches) to create a properly structured calendar.
- (c) The extent to which the match/event will have any meaningful role in the promotion and development of the sport, or any other charitable or benevolent purpose.
- (d) The maintenance and promotion of the health and welfare of players, including by the prevention of overplaying and by ensuring the safety and suitability of the proposed venue(s)
- (e) The impact of the event on the integrity and reputation of the game of cricket
- (f) The safety and suitability of the proposed venue(s)
- (g) Any other factor which the WICB may consider relevant to the best interests of Cricket.

## 5. Form of Approval

- (a) No Match/Event may take place unless and until the West Indies Cricket Board has given written notice to the applicant of its approval for the specific match or matches to which an application relates and then strictly in accordance with the conditions to which the approval is subject.
- (b) If a match or event has not been approved by the WICB, it will be deemed to be disapproved for the purposes of these regulations.

## 6. Conditions of Approval

The following conditions must be satisfied in order for approval to be granted:

- (a) The Organiser must be eligible to participate in cricket matches/events played under the jurisdiction of the West Indies Cricket Board and, in the case of a Cricketer, must not be suspended, ineligible or have participated in any form of disapproved cricket for at least twelve (12) months.
- (b) A valid No Objection Certificate (NOC) has been issued in respect of each foreign player. This will also apply to West Indies players under contract with the West Indies Cricket Board or with their relevant Territorial Board.
- (c) The Organiser must undertake to implement adequate safety and security arrangements, which shall be the sole responsibility of the Organiser. The West Indies Cricket Board shall not be liable in any way for safety and security.
- (d) The Organiser must undertake to observe of applicable anti-doping and anti-corruption rules, regulations and codes; observance of which shall be the Organiser's sole responsibility and not that of the West Indies Cricket Board.
- (e) The matches shall not be held, and shall not be described as being held under the auspices of the West Indies Cricket Board.
- (f) Appropriate warranties and/or indemnities that any actions on the part of the Organiser will not give rise to a claim against the West Indies Cricket Board under any of its commercial contracts
- (g) Compliance with any requirements imposed by the ICC in respect of the relevant match shall be the responsibility of the Organiser and not the WICB.
- (h) The Organiser is responsible for ensuring compliance by players, venue owners and match commercial partners with all requirements, rules, regulations and conditions governing the staging of the match and this should be reflected in all contracts with relevant third parties.
- (i) The Organiser must satisfy the WICB that he or she has obtained third party liability, public liability if required or any other insurance as required by the WICB.

## **7. Disciplinary Procedure and Sanctions for participating in a Match or Event that is not Approved**

If any Territorial Board or a Cricketer qualified to represent the West Indies participates in a cricketing event for which approval should have been sought under this code, but where approval has not been granted, or in the case of a Territorial Board, allows such an event to be staged at any ground which has been used by that Territorial Board within the last two (2) years to stage Domestic Cricket then the matter shall be referred to the WICB Disciplinary Committee who will be asked to review the situation and recommend the appropriate sanctions.

Minimum recommendation sanctions where these regulations have been breached are as follows:

- (a) Territorial Board: Disqualification from staging International Cricket for a period of two (2) years
- (b) Cricketer: Disqualification from participating in official matches or events for a period of one(1) year
- (c) Organiser: Disqualification from cricket/events for a period of three (3) years.

## **Appendix I Definitions**

<b>“Approved Cricket”</b>	means cricket for which approval has been sought and granted in accordance with these regulations
<b>“Cricketer”</b>	means a player who has been selected to form part of the West Indies Team or a Territorial Team
<b>“Disapproved Cricket”</b>	means a cricket match or event which has not been approved by the West Indies Cricket Board in accordance with these regulations
<b>“Domestic Cricket”</b>	<p>means all cricket below international level, including first class cricket, regional cricket or any cricket match or event played between Territorial Boards or among cricket clubs which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(a) Is staged at a ground(s) which is used for international, first class regional cricket or regional one day cricket</li><li>(b) Involves 10 or more cricketers who are or have been named in a territorial team in any given year to participate in a regional WICB event</li><li>(c) May involve an entry charge for admission to spectators</li><li>(d) May be scheduled to be televised, whether in whole or in part</li></ul> <p>and includes beach cricket and wind-ball cricket matches, but excludes non-commercial, leisure matches organised for recreational purposes, such as “village”, “backyard” or “street” cricket.</p>
<b>“International Cricket”</b>	means cricket played between one or more ICC Member Country within the West Indies, organised and hosted by the West Indies Cricket Board
<b>“Organiser”</b>	means the individual or organisation seeking approval of a particular cricket match or event
<b>“Pre-Approved Cricket”</b>	means cricket which falls into one of the categories outlined in Appendix II and for which no application for approval is required.
<b>“Territorial Board”</b>	one of the Member Boards constituting the West Indies Cricket Board, i.e. the Barbados Cricket Association, the Guyana Cricket Board, the Jamaica Cricket Association, the Leeward Islands Cricket Association, the Trinidad & Tobago Cricket Board and the Windward Islands Cricket Board of Control.
<b>“WICB Disciplinary Committee”</b>	means the Committee established by the West Indies Cricket Board under the WICB Code of Conduct

**Appendix II**  
**Approved and Pre-Approved Cricket**

▪ **Barbados Cricket Association**

(i) Schools' Competitions: Under-13

Under-15

Under-19

(ii) Club Competitions:

2-Day and 3-Day Leagues

Second Division

Schools' Division

Intermediate Division

Upper Intermediate Division

First Division

(iii) 1-Day Leagues: 40-Over Shield

50-Over Super Cup

Twenty20 Cup

▪ **Guyana Cricket Board**

(i) National Competitions organised by the Guyana Cricket Board

- Castrol Under-15 50-Over Inter-County Competition
- GTM Under-19 3-Day Inter-County Competition
- GTM Under-19 50-Over Inter-County Competition
- Female 50-Over Inter-County Competition
- Female Under-19 50-Over Inter-County Competition
- GCB First Division 3-Day Competition (Club)
- First Division 50-Over Knock Out Competition (Club)
- El Dorado 50-Over Inter-County Competition
- Neal & Massy First-Division 40-Over Competition (Club)
- Digicel 20/20 Inter-Zone Competition
- First Division 20/20 Competition (Club)
- Pepsi/Carib 20/20 Inter County Competition
- Senior 4-Day Inter-County Competition
- Under-17 Two-Day Inter County Competition
- Secondary School Under-15 40-Over Competition
- Female Inter-School Under-19 20-Over Competition
- Female 40-Over Inter-Zone Competition

(ii) Competitions organised by the Berbice Cricket Board

- Tenelec Under-15 50-Over Club Competition

- NCN Under-15 Inter Zone 50 Over Competition
- Spready's Bakery Under-19 50-Over Club Competition
- Diamond Fire & Life Under-19 Two Day Inter-Zone Competition
- Tenelec First-Division 50-Over Club Competition
- New Building Society Second-Division 40-Over Club Competition
- Ricks & Sari Agro Industries Under-13 Club Competition
- Poonai's Pharmacy Under-15 Inter-Zone Competition
- Leslie Amsterdam Memorial Under-17 Club Competition
- Republic Bank Under-17 Inter-Zone Competition
- Banks DIH Senior Inter-Zone Competition
- Constriction Services Under-23 50-Over Club Competition
- Ramcharitar First-Division 40-Over Knock-Out Competition

(iii) Competitions organised by the Demerara Cricket Board

- Nalico/Nafico Under-15 Inter-Association (Male)
- Gizmos & Gadgets Under-17 Inter Association (Male)
- Demerara Cricket Board (DCB) Under-19 Inter-Association (Male)
- Demerara Cricket Board (DCB) under-19 Inter-Association (Female)
- BK International Senior Inter-Association Competition (Female)
- Hand-in-Hand Inter-Club Second Division (Male)
- West Indian Sports Complex Inter-Association Over-40 (Male)

(iv) Competitions organised by Essequibo Cricket Board

- Goodwood Under-19 50 Over League
- Banks 40-Over First Division League
- Busta 50-Over First Division League

▪ **Jamaica Cricket Association**

(i) Junior Cup: Corporate  
Rural

(ii) Senior Cup

(iii) Jamaican Super-Cricket League (Semi-Professional)

(iv) Women's Club Cricket

(v) Minor Cup

(vi) Masters' (Over 40)

(vii) Red Stripe T20 All Island

(viii) All Island Limited Overs

(ix) JN/SDF All Age and Primary

(x) Scotia Bank Prep School

(xi) Kingston Wharves National Under 15

(xii) Women Six-a-Side

(xiii) National Teams' Trial Matches:

Senior Men (1-Day, 4-Day & T20)

Senior Women (1-Day)

Under-19 (3 Day)

Under-19 Boys (1 Day)

Under-19 Girls (1 Day)

## Under-15 Boys (1 Day)

### ▪ **Leeward Islands**

- (i) Leeward Islands 3-Day Tournament
- (ii) Leeward Islands T20 Tournament
- (iii) NAGICO 1-Day Tournament
- (iv) Leeward Islands Under-19 Tournament
- (v) St. Kitts Under-13 Tournament
- (vi) ABCA 10 over/side tournament in Antigua
- (vii) League Cricket in each constituent island at the age group levels

### ▪ **Trinidad & Tobago Cricket Board**

- (i) Highest Level of Domestic Cricket: North/South Seniors
- (ii) Inter-Zone Cricket: Seniors  
Under 19  
Under 17  
Under 15  
Under 13
- (i) National League: Divided into Premiership (10 clubs) and North Championship (11 clubs)/South Championship (11 clubs)

At each level the following competitions are played:

- (a) League & Reserve League
- (b) 50 Over & 40 Over Competitions
- (c) T20 Competitions

- (ii) Zones: TTCB organises competitions in seven (7) zones.

- (iii) Affiliates: Affiliates include:
  - (a) Secondary School's Cricket League
  - (b) Primary School's Cricket League
  - (c) Tobago Cricket Association
  - (d) T&T Women's Cricket Board of Control

#### (a) Secondary Schools' Cricket League

- Championship Division 1 (50 Overs)
- Championship Division 2 (50 Overs)
  
- Zonal Competitions (8 Zones)
  - Senior Division (50 Overs)



Under 16	(40 Overs)
Under 14	(30 Overs)
Girls (open)	(20 Overs)

(b) Primary Schools' Cricket League

- Super League (8 schools) (35 Overs)
- Zonal Competitions (8 Zones)

Inter-School Boy	(30 Overs)
Inter-School Girls	(20 Overs)
Inter-District Boys	(30 Overs)
Inter-District Girls	(20 Overs)

(c) Tobago Cricket Association

The Tobago Cricket Association runs an independent club tournament which features nine clubs. They participate in three formats: League, 40 Over and T20.

Representative Tobago teams also take part in the TTCB's Inter-Zone competitions at Senior, Under 19, Under 17, Under 15 and Under 13 levels

(d) Trinidad & Tobago Women's Cricket Board of Control

- Premier Zonal Competition in three zones
- Under 17 Zonal Competitions in three zones
- Club competitions in three format – League, 40 Overs and T20

▪ **Windward Islands Cricket Board of Control**

(i) The following competitions are played under the auspices of the Windward Islands Cricket Board of Control and its individual associations.

- Senior Windward Islands Three Day Tournament
- Senior Windward Islands One Day Tournament
- Senior Windward Islands Twenty20 Tournament
- Under 19 Windward Islands Two Day Tournament
- Under 19 Windward Islands One Day Tournament
- Under 15 Windward Islands One Day Tournament

(ii) The following competitions are played under the auspices of the Dominica Cricket Association:

- Digicel Premier League
- Kubuli Intermediate League
- Harris Ultima Northern League
- Dominica Cricket Association Women's Cricket League

(iii) The following competitions are played under the auspices of the Grenada Cricket Association:

- National Senior Inter Parish Competition
- National Inter Parish Under 19 Competition
- National Inter Parish Under 15 Competition
- National Inter Parish Women's Competition
- Grenada Cricket Association Ministry of Sports 20/20 Competition

(iv) The following competitions are played under the auspices of the St. Lucia National Cricket Association

- Two Day Premier League Tournament
- Fifty Overs Promotional League
- National Women's League
- SMJ Twenty20 Tournament
- Fifty Overs Inter District Tournament

(v) The following competitions are played under the auspices of the St. Vincent and the Grenadines Cricket Association

- RBTT Premier Division
- Bottlers First Division
- Zonal Under 19 Tournament
- Zonal Under 15 Tournament
- Neil Williams Twenty20 Tournament
- Senior Women's Tournament