

**Hunters T20 Cup**  
**ECB Vitality T20 Plate Competition**  
(Guidance for clubs – Feb 2023)

**Match Balls**

- Pink match balls will be provided by the League for **all** matches.
- Balls should be returned to the umpires at the end of each match.

**Clothing**

- Players are encouraged to wear coloured clothing, but it is not mandatory in the first year, normal white clothing is perfectly acceptable.
- All players in a team must wear clothing of the same colour.

**Sightscreens**

- White sightscreens are absolutely fine, black may be used if available.

**Umpires**

- Neutral Umpires will be provided from the League Panel.
- Umpires will be paid for in the usual way.

**Playing Conditions**

- ECB Generic T20 Rules (on the League Website)

**Preliminary Round**

- It is the responsibility of the home team to contact their opposition and arrange a suitable date and time for the fixture. These matches must be played by 11<sup>th</sup> June.
- Matches can be played on an evening, but, be aware that approx. 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> – 3 hours will be required.
- It is the responsibility of the home team to contact the Umpires Secretary so that neutral officials can be arranged.
- Catering should not be necessary, but if host clubs wish to provide some, please discuss with the opposing club.

**Group Stages**

- Matches will be scheduled to start at 10.00am, 1.00pm and 4.00pm.
- The host club will normally be scheduled to play the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> matches and the nearest visiting team the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> matches.
- Ideally, host clubs should try to find 3 areas for the competing teams to use as changing rooms. Where this is not possible, the host club should inform the team who will be arriving for the 2<sup>nd</sup> match and advise them to come ready changed.
- It is up to host clubs to decide what to do about catering and the payment for such provision, but details must be shared with the visiting teams.
- It is vital that the first match starts on time and over rates are adhered to throughout the day; experience suggests that timings can over-run quite spectacularly if people are tardy.

**Finals Day**

- Finals Day will follow the same format as the Group Stages.
- Catering will be provided and paid for by the League.

**Winners**

- The winners on Finals Day will go through to the National Stages, the next round of which is on 6<sup>th</sup> August 2023.