



Y&DSCL Divisions; Matches affected by Weather or Ground Conditions

Examples

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If play does not start on time; for every 7.5 minutes lost, one over will be deducted from each innings.

1. A 100 over match is scheduled to start at 1.00pm. The start is delayed and the start time is re-scheduled for 2.25pm.

85 minutes have been lost, $85 / 7.5 = 11.3$ so 11 overs are lost from each innings (22 in total) and so, it is a 78 over match with the side batting first having a maximum of 39 overs.

2. A 90 over match is scheduled to start at 1.00pm. The start is delayed due to rain and it is still raining at 3.15pm when the players and umpires decide to take an early tea. The start time is rescheduled for 4.00pm.

3 hrs lost = 180 minutes – 30 for the tea interval = 150 minutes lost, $150/7.5 = 20$ so 20 overs are lost from each innings (40 in total) and it is a 50 over match with the side batting first having a maximum of 25 overs.

Once play has commenced; Overs will be deducted from the total match overs at the rate of one over for every complete three and three quarter minutes lost. The team batting first will be allowed a maximum of 55% of the total match overs as calculated at the end of each interruption. If this number has already been exceeded, the innings will be deemed to have been completed and the total number of overs in the second innings will be as per the table in Appendix A.

Examples

- a) A 100 over match starts on time at 1.00pm. At 1.30pm the players leave the field and play restarts at 2.15pm.
 - 45 minutes have been lost; $45 / 3.75 = 12$, so 12 overs are lost from the match and it is now an 88 over match with the side batting first allowed a maximum of 55% of 88 which is 48 overs.
- b) A 100 over match starts 30 minutes late at 1.30 pm. At 2.45 the players leave the field after 19 overs and play restarts at 3.25pm. At 4.00pm the players again leave the field after 29 overs. Tea is taken and play resumes at 5.30pm.

- 30 minutes have been lost; $30 / 7.5 = 4$, so 4 overs are lost from each innings and so, at this stage, it is a 92 over match with the side batting first having a maximum of 46 overs.
- 40 minutes lost for the first interruption; $40 / 3.75 = 10.7$ so a further 10 overs are lost from the match and it is now an 82 over match with the batting side now allowed a maximum of 55% of 82 which is 45 overs.
- 60 minutes playing time lost for the second interruption (the other 30 minutes is the tea interval); $60 / 3.75 = 16$ so a further 16 overs are lost from the match and it is now a 66 over match with the batting side now allowed a maximum of 55% of 66 which is 36 overs.

So, if there are no further interruptions, the side batting first will have a further 7 overs to bat and then (assuming they are not all out) the side batting second will have a maximum of 30 overs.

It is possible that the interruption in play is towards the end of the first innings and, when all the calculations have been made, the side batting first have already exceeded the 55% of the total match overs. In these circumstances, the calculation will be ignored, the 1st innings will be deemed to have been completed and the number of overs available in the second innings will be determined from Appendix A to League Rule 6.3.2

Example

A 100 over match starts on time at 1.00pm. At 3.45pm, rain forces the players from the field after 46 overs, play is suspended and tea is taken. Play is scheduled to resume at 5.45pm.

90 minutes playing time has been lost; $90 / 3.75 = 24$, so 24 overs are lost from the match and it is now a 76 over match with the side batting first allowed a maximum of 55% of 76 which is 41 overs. However, they have already batted for 46 overs so Rule 6.3.2 comes into play.

The calculation is ignored and Appendix A referred to which states that if 46 overs have been completed in the 1st innings it is now an 84 over match and the side batting second will have a maximum of 38 overs.

NOTE

Once the 1st innings of a match is completed, there can be no further deduction of overs.