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Except where stated otherwise in these rules, the tournaments will be played in accordance with The MCC Laws of Cricket and more importantly, the spirit of the game.

1. Introduction

- a) These Rules & Regulations shall be applicable to all Kuwait Cricket affiliated centers in regular and age group tournaments.
- b) Kuwait Cricket Local Playing Conditions (LPCs) 2015-16 and its Appendixes will supersede Laws of Cricket 2000 Code (Fourth Edition-2010).
- c) These shall remain effective for the entire cricket season 2015-16.
- d) Host centers can issue additional specific tournament rules, which should be addition but not in conflict to these Rules & Regulations.

2. Team Registration

- a) Individual/s or companies can register their team with Kuwait Cricket before the start of the season as per the scheduled announcement.
- b) Prescribed Team Registration Fee is to be paid along with the team registration application form.
- c) No team can be titled after an individual.
- d) Kuwait Cricket reserves the right to refuse registration of any team or a player.
- e) Kuwait Cricket reserves the right to refuse any team title.

3. Player Registration

- a) A team may register not less than 12 and not more than 22(Maximum) players.
- b) The registration of at least 12 players is mandatory at the time of team registration.
- c) The registration of a player from the remaining players should be done at least three days before the concerned player is due to play his first match.
- d) There shall be no registration fee for first 16 players. However, a registration fee of KD Two (2) per player shall be charged for the 17th to 22nd player.
- e) Once a player is registered with any team and having been named in playing eleven or fielded as a substitute, the concerned player cannot change his team during the entire season except as referred in clauses 3(f) and 3(g) hereafter.

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- f) A player can change his team during the season if he gets an employment with any company/ corporate house or its subsidiary having a team registered with Kuwait Cricket. However, an employment offer or appointment letter will **NOT** be considered to be enough proof for the purpose of transfer. The change of Residence Permit or adequate evidence must be submitted to the Kuwait Cricket Technical Committee who shall decide on the transfer within 10 days from date of submission of the Transfer Application.
- g) If a player resigns or is terminated by his employer after having played for the company, corporate house or its subsidiary's team, he can continue to play for the same team during the season. However, if he wishes to join any other KC registered team, transfer will only be allowed when the Residence permit has been changed to a new Sponsor.

(Note for clarity: The Clauses 3(f) and 3(g) apply to residence transfers **TO or FROM** a company, corporate house or its subsidiary which has a KC registered team only. Any other change of residence is not covered in these clauses.)

- h) U-19 player can apply to the Kuwait Cricket Technical Committee for change to new team, if the player was not included in the playing XI for at least 50% of the matches played by the team and the player was available for inclusion in the playing XI.
- i) Valid Kuwait Civil Identity Card or Passport Copy with valid residence permit is required to be registered as a player. Non-resident Kuwait born players can attach a copy of the birth certificate in lieu of valid resident permit.
- j) The tournaments where age is one of the qualifying factors, the **ONLY** acceptable documents will be a Kuwait Civil Identity Card or Kuwait Birth Certificate. Birth certificate of any country or school certificate will not be acceptable for this purpose. If the civil identity card indicates only the year of birth and not the exact day and month, then it will be deemed to 1st January of that year.
- k) All transfer requests should be addressed to;
The Director (Technical), Kuwait Cricket.

4. Kuwaiti Cricketers

- a) All the teams in division I& II are encouraged to include at least one Kuwaiti citizen in the playing eleven.

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5. Guest Players

- a) Each team is allowed to play maximum of two guest players who are;
 - i) Not a Kuwaiti Citizen
 - ii) Not born in Kuwait
 - iii) Not Resident of Kuwait, includes people with residence permit under process.
- b) Application for Guest Player/s should be made at least 7 days in advance to: The Director (Technical), Kuwait Cricket.
- c) The guest player/s having played with residence permit under process for a team have to play for the same team after grant of residence permit in the rest of the season.
- d) No guest player will be allowed to play semi-final or final match unless he has played minimum of one league/knock-out match in that tournament.
- e) Visa arrangements, logistics, lodging and boarding and any other expenses will be the responsibility of the team concerned.

6. Dress Code

- a) Colored clothing and colored pads will be used on all KC affiliated centers.
- b) Players should have number on the back of the jerseys.
- c) The members of the fielding side who are not on the field and not acting as substitute shall wear "Bib". The bibs should be of entirely different color from the team dress.

7. Safety

- a) In age group tournaments the use of the helmet with the face visor is mandatory for all the batsmen. This clause shall apply irrespective of the type of bowler in operation or batsman's number in batting order.
- b) Kuwait Cricket and/or its affiliated organizing centers will not be responsible for any injury on and off the field for what so ever reason caused to any player, including guest player/s.
- c) Kuwait Cricket or its affiliated Organizing Centers will not be responsible for providing first aid or any subsequent treatment. It is recommended to all the participating teams to carry with them the basic medical first aid kit.

8. Umpiring

- a) Neutral umpires from Kuwait Cricket Umpires Panel (KCUP) will officiate in all the matches played under Kuwait Cricket auspices.
- b) No umpire can be a member of any team in any capacity, may it be as a player or as a part of a team management.

9. Disciplinary & Technical Committee

- a) All protests and disciplinary matters shall be addressed to:
The Director, Technical, Kuwait Cricket.
- b) Kuwait Cricket Discipline and Technical committee will investigate and conduct a hearing on all disputes officially lodged and give ruling/s and decision which shall be binding on all the parties.
- c) The KC Disciplinary & Technical Committee will be headed by Director, Technical, and will comprise of one representative each from concerned affiliated organizing center and Kuwait Cricket Umpires Panel.
For Level 1 offence, single member committee could conduct the hearing. For Level 2, Level 3 and Level 4 offences three members committee should be formed as described above.
- d) The host center officials or the umpires officiating in a match can report misconduct by a team or any player/s to the Director Technical or his delegated representative. The intimation that the team or any player/s is being reported shall be recorded in very brief manner in the result/score sheet immediately after the match.
- e) Full and formal statement in written form shall be submitted by the concerned to Director, Technical within 24 hours after the conclusion of the match.
- f) The Discipline and Technical committee will fix the hearing within 72 hours after receiving the complaint.
- g) The Discipline and Technical committee may invite, as deemed necessary, any of the following to attend the hearing:-
 - i) Both the umpires.
 - ii) The Player/s reported.
 - iii) The Captain of the team/s concerned.
 - iv) Any other person, whose presence in view of Committee conducting the hearing will help reach a fair conclusion.

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- h) For Level 1 Offences the Committee will give the verdict at the end of the hearing session. Such decision will be final and binding on all the concerned and will be deemed effective immediately. There will be no right of appeal against the decision/s of Level 1 offence.
- i) For Level 2 offences the Committee will give the verdict at the end of the hearing session.
- j) For Level 3 and Level 4 offences the Committee, before making it public, will submit its decision to Kuwait Cricket Executive Committee for endorsement.
- k) A team or player/s can appeal against a decision for Level 2, Level 3 & Level 4 offences as follows:-
 - i) Such appeal will have to be lodged within 48 hours of announcement/ communication of the decision.
 - ii) Appeal will have to be lodged in writing, duly signed by the Captain or Manager and the player concerned. No Soft copies / e-mails will be acceptable for this purpose.
 - iii) A fee of KD Fifty (50/-) should be deposited at the time of lodging the appeal. Any appeal/s without the deposit will not be received.
 - iv) The deposit of KD Fifty (50/-) will be refunded if the appeal is upheld, either wholly or partially, otherwise it will be forfeited in favor of Kuwait Cricket.
 - v) The implementation of the original decision will remain suspended till the final decision of the appeal.
- l) Director, Technical will conduct further investigation to re-visit the earlier decision by inviting two additional Kuwait Cricket Executive Council Members to the Disciplinary & Technical Committee hearing. Team, player/s appeal will be given full opportunity to present the case to the committee. Committee's decision shall be endorsed by KC Executive Council and communicated to the concerned.
- m) Team/s can lodge a protest regarding any technical matter immediately after the match with KD Twenty (20/-) as deposit. Only brief note to that effect may be recorded on the result sheet/ score sheet and within 24 hours full statement must be given in writing. If the protest is upheld, wholly or partially, the deposit will be refunded to the team concerned otherwise the deposit will be forfeited in favor of Kuwait Cricket.
- n) Decision of Kuwait Cricket shall be final and binding on all concerned parties and cannot be challenged in any forum or court of law.



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10. Technical Committee Contact

All correspondences regarding Transfer of Players, Protests and Technical Issues should be handed over in a sealed envelope to the Host Center and addressed to:

Sudhakar Shetty
Director (Technical)
Kuwait Cricket
Tel: +965-9992 9939

A copy of the same should be emailed to:

sshetty27@gmail.com

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