



**CRICKET  
IRELAND**

# JUNIOR & YOUTH PLAYING FORMATS

Introducing age and stage appropriate formats to offer more players more opportunities to play the game, including shorter pitch lengths and smaller boundaries. This means more action, more running, more balls in play, less wides, more boundaries, increased skill levels and more importantly more enjoyment.

## CLUB & SCHOOL CRICKET

## REPRESENTATIVE

### MODIFIED CRICKET

**PITCH**  
10-14m (11-15 yrds)

**PLAYERS**  
8

**OVERS**  
8 to 16

**BOUNDARIES**  
30-40m (32-43 yards)

**DISMISSALS**  
None \*

**PAIRS CRICKET RULES APPLY**  
There are five ways in which penalty runs are deducted or bonus runs added to opposition score.  
- Bowled  
- Caught  
- Hit Wicket  
- Stumped  
- Run Out

**EQUIPMENT**  
Plastic bats modified soft ball.

**5-12 YEAR OLDS**

### UNDER 11

**PITCH**  
16m (17.5 yrds)

**PLAYERS**  
8-10

**OVERS**  
20 max

**BOUNDARIES**  
35m (38 yards)

**DISMISSALS**  
None \*

**PAIRS CRICKET RULES APPLY**  
There are five ways in which penalty runs are deducted.  
- Bowled  
- Caught  
- Hit Wicket  
- Stumped  
- Run Out

**EQUIPMENT**  
136g / 4 3/4oz two piece ball or hard incredi style ball.

**8-11 YEAR OLDS**

### UNDER 13

**PITCH**  
18m (19.5 yrds)

**PLAYERS**  
9

**OVERS**  
30 max

**BOUNDARIES**  
40m (43 yards)

**DISMISSALS**  
All

**RULES**  
Minimum number of balls to be faced is 6. After which all dismissals apply.  
Compulsory retirement - 30 balls.

**EQUIPMENT**  
136g / 4 3/4oz (F)  
142g / 5oz (M) two piece ball.

**10-13 YEAR OLDS**

### UNDER 15

**PITCH**  
Full

**PLAYERS**  
11

**OVERS**  
40 max

**BOUNDARIES**  
40-45m (43-50 yards)

**DISMISSALS**  
All

**RULES**  
Local / Regional / All Ireland playing conditions apply.

**EQUIPMENT**  
142g / 5oz (F)  
156g / 5 1/2oz (M)

**11-15 YEAR OLDS**

### UNDER 17/19

**PITCH**  
Full

**PLAYERS**  
11

**OVERS**  
50 max

**BOUNDARIES**  
50-60m (54-65 yards)

**DISMISSALS**  
All

**RULES**  
Local / Regional / All Ireland playing conditions apply.

**EQUIPMENT**  
142g / 5oz (F)  
156g / 5 1/2oz (M)

**14-19 YEAR OLDS**

### REGIONAL / ZONE / DISTRICT (U13)

**PITCH**  
18m (19.5 yrds)

**PLAYERS**  
11

**OVERS**  
40 max

**BOUNDARIES**  
40m (43 yards)

**DISMISSALS**  
All

**RULES**  
Local / Regional / All Ireland playing conditions apply.

**EQUIPMENT**  
136g / 4 3/4oz (F)  
142g / 5oz (M) two piece ball.

**10-13 YEAR OLDS**

### INTER-PROVINCIAL REP (U15/U17)

**PITCH**  
Full

**PLAYERS**  
11

**OVERS**  
50 max

**BOUNDARIES**  
50m (54 yards)

**DISMISSALS**  
All

**RULES**  
Local / Regional / All Ireland playing conditions apply.

**EQUIPMENT**  
142g / 5oz (F)  
156g / 5 1/2oz (M)

**12-17 YEAR OLDS**



**JUNIOR**



**YOUTH**

