



Secondary Schools Competition Brochure



Secondary School Competitions

SSCA was founded in 1933 and is a member of Surrey Cricket Board (SCB). These competitions are run by the SCB and Surrey Schools Cricket Association (SSCA)

Competition	Age Group	Max length of Innings	Type of Ball	Type of School	National Competitions	Contact
3 & 4 ECB / ESCA Twenty20 Competition	• U15	• 20 Overs	• Hard Ball	• State & Independent	• National Twenty20 Competition	• Phil Everest
2 & 3 Twenty20 Vase	• U15	• 20 Overs	• Hard Ball	• State	• N/A	• Phil Everest
3 & 4 *ESCA Natwest County Cup	• U15	• 40 Overs	• Hard Ball	• State & Independent	• N / A	• Phil Everest
3 & 4 Lord Taverners Anderson Cup	• U14	• 40 Overs	• Hard Ball	• State & Independent	• Taverners National Schools U15 Trophy	• Phil Everest
3 & 4 Watcyn Evans Trophy	• U13	• 30 Overs	• Hard Ball	• State & Independent	• N / A	• Phil Everest
3 & 4 Bunbury Jubilee Trophy	• U12	• 30 Overs	• Hard Ball	• State & Independent	• Bunbury David English National U13 Cup	• Phil Everest
1 & 2 Lady Taverners U13 & U15 (Girls Indoor Competition)	• U13 & U15	• 8 Overs	• Soft Ball	• State & Independent	• Yes	• Chris Bullen or 0207 820 5719
1 & 2 Natwest Indoor Inter Cricket (Boys Indoor Competition)	• U13	• 6 Overs	• Soft Ball	• State	• N / A	• Chris Bullen or 0207 820 5719
1 & 2 Inter Cricket Outdoor Boys	• U13	• 8 Overs	• Soft Ball	• State	• N / A	• Chris Bullen or 0207 820 5719
1 & 2 Inter Cricket Outdoor Girls	• U13	• 8 Overs	• Soft Ball	• State	• N / A	• Chris Bullen or 0207 820 5719

Key for Competition numbers stated above refers to the level of Cricket Played at the School.

- 1. Introductory** – Schools New to the Game.
- 2. Emerging** – Schools Beginning to start match play.
- 3. Developing** – Schools with regular matches at more than one age-group.
- 4. Established** – Schools with regular block fixtures for all age-groups.



Secondary School Competitions Calendar

Competition	SSP Round	SSP Play-offs	County Finals
ECB/ESCA Twenty20 (U15)			w/c 14 th June
Twenty20 Vase (U15)	By 19 th June	By 3 rd July	w/c 5 th July
NatWest County Cup (U15)			Thur 1 st July
Lords Taverners Anderson Cup (U14)			Tues 29 th June
Walcyn Evans Trophy (U13)			Thur 1 st July
Plate Final (U13)			w/c 5 th July
Bunbury Jubilee Trophy (U12)			Tues 29 th June
Lady Taverners (U13 & U15)	By 26 th February	w/c 1 st March	w/c 15 th March
NatWest Indoor Inter Cricket	By 31 st March	By 30 th April	w/c 3 rd May
Inter Cricket Outdoor Boys			w/c 5 th July
Inter Cricket Outdoor Girls			w/c 5 th July



ESCA TWENTY 20 Competition (U15 Boys)

Secondary State &
Independent School
Competition

Competition Rules

The Laws of Cricket (2000 Code), including the size of bat, ball and wicket, will apply, with the following exceptions:

1. a) The length of the innings shall be 20 overs. The Final will be of 20 overs per side. One hour and fifteen minutes is allowed to bowl the overs.
b) Each side must face 5 overs to constitute a match.
c) The break between innings will be 10 minutes.
d) Timed Out: The incoming batsman must be in position to take guard within 90 seconds of the fall of the previous wicket.
 2. No player may bowl more than 4 overs (reduced proportionately for reduced over matches).
 3. If a bowler breaks down, the remaining balls will be bowled by another bowler. Such part of an over will count as a full over when working out each bowler's limit.
 4. The side which scores the most runs shall be the winner.
 5. If the scores are level, the side which has lost the least wickets shall be the winner.
 6. If the scores continue level, the winner shall be the side which, in order:
 - a) has the highest scoring rate over the first 10 overs of the innings;
 - b) loses the least number of wickets in the first 10 overs of the innings.
 7. If the scores are still level a bowl out will take place. The toss of a coin will be a last option to decide a match.
 8. a) If inclement weather curtails a match, the winner shall be the side scoring most runs in the first 10 overs of the innings, or 9, 8, 7, 6 down to 5.
b) In the event of weather reducing the duration of matches, overs will be deducted at the rate of one per 3.75 minutes, down to a minimum of 5 overs per side.
- N.B. The ECB regulations concerning **close fielding** by young players will apply to all matches.

Developing / Established
School Level



ESCA Natwest County Cup (U15 Boys)

Secondary State &
Independent School
Competition

Competition Rules

The Laws of Cricket (2000 Code) will apply to all matches in SSCA Competitions, with the following exceptions:

1. The length of the innings shall be as specified for the relevant competition, or fewer overs by agreement, IF NECESSARY. The late arrival of one side shall not be sufficient reason for a reduction in the number of overs.
2. No player may bowl more than the number of overs specified for the relevant competition. This number must be reduced proportionately for reduced over matches. If a bowler breaks down, the remaining balls will be bowled by another bowler. Such part of an over will count as a full over when working out each bowler's limit. **N.B. Bowlers spells will be regulated according to the ECB Fast Bowling Directive.**
3. The side scoring the most runs shall be the winner.
4. If the scores are level, the side which has lost the least wickets shall be the winner.
5. If the match is still undecided, the winner shall be the side which, in order:
 - a) has the higher score rate over the first 20 overs of the innings, or the first half of the innings, whichever is the greater number of overs;
 - b) loses the least number of wickets in the first 20 overs of the innings, or the first half of the innings, which ever is the greater number of overs;
 - c) has the higher score over the first 10 overs of the innings;
 - d) loses the least number of wickets in the first 10 overs of the innings.If the match is still undecided, a bowl out will be organised, or as the last resort, the captains shall toss a coin to decide the winner.
6. If inclement weather curtails a match, no result can be declared unless the side batting second has received half of its allotted number of overs. The winner shall then be decided according to the priorities in Para. 5 of these Playing Regulations.
7. If persistent inclement weather prevents the resolution of a match by means of Para. 6 of these Playing Regulations, then the result shall be decided by a 'bowl out'. If this is impractical, then the result shall be decided by the toss of a coin, or any other method mutually agreeable to the two sides. 'Bowl-out' regulations are available on request.
8. No penalty runs will be awarded under Law 42 (Fair and Unfair Play), except for 1 run under 42.6, 42.7 or 42.8 (Dangerous & Unfair Bowling). The award of penalty runs under Law 41 (The Fielder) will apply, i.e. ball striking a helmet on the playing surface, or illegal fielding.
9. Where possible, the length of the pitch and sizes of equipment for younger pupils should conform to the ESCA recommendations.
10. The ECB regulations concerning **close fielding** by young players will apply to all matches according to age.
11. The ECB guidance on the **wearing of cricket helmets** by young players will apply to all matches.

Developing / Established
School Level



Lords Taverners Anderson Cup (U14 Boys)

Secondary State &
Independent School
Competition

Competition Rules

The Laws of Cricket (2000 Code) will apply to all matches in SSCA Competitions, with the following exceptions:

1. The length of the innings shall be as specified for the relevant competition, or fewer overs by agreement, IF NECESSARY. The late arrival of one side shall not be sufficient reason for a reduction in the number of overs.
2. No player may bowl more than the number of overs specified for the relevant competition. This number must be reduced proportionately for reduced over matches. If a bowler breaks down, the remaining balls will be bowled by another bowler. Such part of an over will count as a full over when working out each bowler's limit. **N.B. Bowlers spells will be regulated according to the ECB Fast Bowling Directive.**
3. The side scoring the most runs shall be the winner.
4. If the scores are level, the side which has lost the least wickets shall be the winner.
5. If the match is still undecided, the winner shall be the side which, in order:
 - a) has the higher score rate over the first 20 overs of the innings, or the first half of the innings, whichever is the greater number of overs;
 - b) loses the least number of wickets in the first 20 overs of the innings, or the first half of the innings, which ever is the greater number of overs;
 - c) has the higher score over the first 10 overs of the innings;
 - d) loses the least number of wickets in the first 10 overs of the innings.If the match is still undecided, a bowl out will be organised, or as the last resort, the captains shall toss a coin to decide the winner.
6. If inclement weather curtails a match, no result can be declared unless the side batting second has received half of its allotted number of overs. The winner shall then be decided according to the priorities in Para. 5 of these Playing Regulations.
7. If persistent inclement weather prevents the resolution of a match by means of Para. 6 of these Playing Regulations, then the result shall be decided by a 'bowl out'. If this is impractical, then the result shall be decided by the toss of a coin, or any other method mutually agreeable to the two sides. 'Bowl-out' regulations are available on request.
8. No penalty runs will be awarded under Law 42 (Fair and Unfair Play), except for 1 run under 42.6, 42.7 or 42.8 (Dangerous & Unfair Bowling). The award of penalty runs under Law 41 (The Fielder) will apply, i.e. ball striking a helmet on the playing surface, or illegal fielding.
9. Where possible, the length of the pitch and sizes of equipment for younger pupils should conform to the ESCA recommendations.
10. The ECB regulations concerning **close fielding** by young players will apply to all matches according to age.
11. The ECB guidance on the **wearing of cricket helmets** by young players will apply to all matches.

Developing / Established
School Level



Walcyn Evans Trophy (U13 Boys)

Secondary State &
Independent School
Competition

Competition Rules

The Laws of Cricket (2000 Code) will apply to all matches in SSCA Competitions, with the following exceptions:

1. The length of the innings shall be as specified for the relevant competition, or fewer overs by agreement, IF NECESSARY. The late arrival of one side shall not be sufficient reason for a reduction in the number of overs.
2. No player may bowl more than the number of overs specified for the relevant competition. This number must be reduced proportionately for reduced over matches. If a bowler breaks down, the remaining balls will be bowled by another bowler. Such part of an over will count as a full over when working out each bowler's limit. **N.B. Bowlers spells will be regulated according to the ECB Fast Bowling Directive.**
3. The side scoring the most runs shall be the winner.
4. If the scores are level, the side which has lost the least wickets shall be the winner.
5. If the match is still undecided, the winner shall be the side which, in order:
 - a) has the higher score rate over the first 20 overs of the innings, or the first half of the innings, whichever is the greater number of overs;
 - b) loses the least number of wickets in the first 20 overs of the innings, or the first half of the innings, which ever is the greater number of overs;
 - c) has the higher score over the first 10 overs of the innings;
 - d) loses the least number of wickets in the first 10 overs of the innings.If the match is still undecided, a bowl out will be organised, or as the last resort, the captains shall toss a coin to decide the winner.
6. If inclement weather curtails a match, no result can be declared unless the side batting second has received half of its allotted number of overs. The winner shall then be decided according to the priorities in Para. 5 of these Playing Regulations.
7. If persistent inclement weather prevents the resolution of a match by means of Para. 6 of these Playing Regulations, then the result shall be decided by a 'bowl out'. If this is impractical, then the result shall be decided by the toss of a coin, or any other method mutually agreeable to the two sides. 'Bowl-out' regulations are available on request.
8. No penalty runs will be awarded under Law 42 (Fair and Unfair Play), except for 1 run under 42.6, 42.7 or 42.8 (Dangerous & Unfair Bowling). The award of penalty runs under Law 41 (The Fielder) will apply, i.e. ball striking a helmet on the playing surface, or illegal fielding.
9. Where possible, the length of the pitch and sizes of equipment for younger pupils should conform to the ESCA recommendations.
10. The ECB regulations concerning **close fielding** by young players will apply to all matches according to age.
11. The ECB guidance on the **wearing of cricket helmets** by young players will apply to all matches.

Developing / Established
School Level



Bunbury Jubilee Trophy (U12 Boys)

Secondary State &
Independent School
Competition

Competition Rules

The Laws of Cricket (2000 Code) will apply to all matches in SSCA Competitions, with the following exceptions:

1. The length of the innings shall be as specified for the relevant competition, or fewer overs by agreement, IF NECESSARY. The late arrival of one side shall not be sufficient reason for a reduction in the number of overs.
2. No player may bowl more than the number of overs specified for the relevant competition. This number must be reduced proportionately for reduced over matches. If a bowler breaks down, the remaining balls will be bowled by another bowler. Such part of an over will count as a full over when working out each bowler's limit. **N.B. Bowlers spells will be regulated according to the ECB Fast Bowling Directive.**
3. The side scoring the most runs shall be the winner.
4. If the scores are level, the side which has lost the least wickets shall be the winner.
5. If the match is still undecided, the winner shall be the side which, in order:
 - a) has the higher score rate over the first 20 overs of the innings, or the first half of the innings, whichever is the greater number of overs;
 - b) loses the least number of wickets in the first 20 overs of the innings, or the first half of the innings, which ever is the greater number of overs;
 - c) has the higher score over the first 10 overs of the innings;
 - d) loses the least number of wickets in the first 10 overs of the innings.If the match is still undecided, a bowl out will be organised, or as the last resort, the captains shall toss a coin to decide the winner.
6. If inclement weather curtails a match, no result can be declared unless the side batting second has received half of its allotted number of overs. The winner shall then be decided according to the priorities in Para. 5 of these Playing Regulations.
7. If persistent inclement weather prevents the resolution of a match by means of Para. 6 of these Playing Regulations, then the result shall be decided by a 'bowl out'. If this is impractical, then the result shall be decided by the toss of a coin, or any other method mutually agreeable to the two sides. 'Bowl-out' regulations are available on request.
8. No penalty runs will be awarded under Law 42 (Fair and Unfair Play), except for 1 run under 42.6, 42.7 or 42.8 (Dangerous & Unfair Bowling). The award of penalty runs under Law 41 (The Fielder) will apply, i.e. ball striking a helmet on the playing surface, or illegal fielding.
9. Where possible, the length of the pitch and sizes of equipment for younger pupils should conform to the ESCA recommendations.
10. The ECB regulations concerning **close fielding** by young players will apply to all matches according to age.
11. The ECB guidance on the **wearing of cricket helmets** by young players will apply to all matches.

Developing / Established
School Level



Lady Taverners U13 & U15 Girls

Held annually in February

Secondary State &
Independent School
Competition

District Final

County Final

Regional Final

NATIONAL FINAL

Competition Rules

- 8 a-side Teams
- 6 overs per side with a maximum of 2 overs per bowler
- Batters retire when reaching 16 but can return
- The boundary wall behind the bowler counts as 4 / 6
- Side walls and ceiling count as 1 run
- 2 runs if batters complete a successful run
- No ball and Wides count as 2 runs but no extra ball unless it's 6th over when they have to be bowled again.
- Softball to be used.

If you would like to enter the competition please contact Chris Bullen on cbullen@surreycricket.com

Introductory / Emerging
School Level



NatWest Indoor Inter Cricket Boys U13

Secondary State School
Competition

Held annually in March

Inter Cricket was designed for boys and girls who, for reasons of facility or ability, can't play hard ball cricket.

It bridges the gap between Kwik Cricket and the traditional hardball game, increasing levels of participation in the game, particularly amongst 12-14 year old children.

Backed by NatWest, this major ECB grassroots initiative is ideal for use in secondary schools and clubs. The game is designed to be fun, fast, exciting and to reward genuine cricket skills. It is directly linked to The NatWest Series and The NatWest Challenge in order to create an aspiration link to the international game.

Coloured clothing is worn, with coloured pads and gloves, and it is played with coloured bats and a white rubberised ball with a stitched seam.

Competition Rules

- 6 a-side Teams
- 6 overs per side with a maximum of 2 overs per bowler
- Batters retire when reaching 20 but can return
- The boundary wall behind the bowler counts as 4 / 6
- Side walls and ceiling count as 1 run
- 2 runs if batters complete a successful run
- No ball and Wides count as 2 runs but no extra ball unless it's 6th over when they have to be bowled again.
- Softball to be used.

Borough Competition



District Final



County Final

Introductory / Emerging
School Level



Inter Cricket Competitions (for Boys U13 and Girls U13)

Secondary State School
Competition

The competitions rules are the same for the separate competitions that are run for Boys and Girls.

Competition Rules

- 8 a-side Teams
- 8 overs per side with a maximum of 2 overs per bowler
- Batters retire when reaching 16 but can return
- The boundaries count as 4 / 6 as per the laws of cricket
- 2 runs if batters complete a successful run
- No ball and Wides count as 2 runs but no extra ball unless it's 8th over when they have to be bowled again.
- Softball to be used.

Introductory / Emerging
School Level



Safety Guidelines

[Directives and Guidelines from the ECB](#)

[More information on fielding restrictions](#)

[ECB Fast Bowling Match Directives](#)

Age Group	Hard Ball	Stumps	Pitch	Soft Ball	Stumps	Pitch
● Under 7	● 4.75 oz	● 27" x 8"	● 16 yards	● Kwik	● Kwik	● Max 14 Yards
● Under 9	● 4.75 oz	● 27" x 8"	● 18 yards	● Kwik	● Kwik	● 15 yards
● Under 10	● 4.75 oz	● 27" x 8"	● 19 yards	● Kwik	● Kwik	● 16 yards
● Under 11	● 4.75 oz	● 27" x 8"	● 20 yards	● Kwik	● Kwik	● 16 yards
● Under 12	● 4.75 oz	● 27" x 8"	● 21 yards	● Inter Cricket	● Inter Cricket	● Max 20 Yards
● Under 13	● 4.75 oz	● 27" x 8"	● 21 yards	● Inter Cricket	● Inter Cricket	● Max 21 Yards
● Under 14						
Boys	● 5.5 oz	● 27" x 9"	● 22 yards	● Inter Cricket	● Inter Cricket	● 22 yards
Girls	● 5 oz	● 27" x 9"	● 22 yards	● Inter Cricket	● Inter Cricket	● 22 yards
● Under 15						
Boys	● 5.5 oz	● 27" x 9"	● 22 yards			
Girls	● 5 oz	● 27" x 9"	● 22 yards			

Age	Max. overs per spell	Overs per Day
● Up to 13	● 5 Overs	● 10 Overs
● U14, U15	● 6 Overs	● 12 Overs
● U16, U17	● 7 Overs	● 18 Overs
● U18, U19	● 7 Overs	● 18 Overs

Safety guidance on the wearing of cricket helmets by young players. In February 2000 the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) issued safety guidance on the wearing of helmets by young players up to the age of 18. This original guidance document can be found [online](#). In brief, the guidance recommends that: With the assistance of schools, cricket clubs and leagues, the wearing of helmets by young players is now standard practice in cricket throughout England and Wales. Helmets are widely available and are covered by a British Standard (BS7928:1998).

For the purposes of these Directives a fast bowler is defined as a bowler to whom a wicket keeper in the same age group would *in normal circumstances* stand back to take the ball.



Contacts at Surrey Cricket Board



If you have any further question please do not hesitate to contact the relevant people listed on the tables (Slides 2 and 9).

The Cricket Development Managers (CDM) in Surrey are listed below:

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Good Luck in the Competitions

