

- 1. The match is scheduled to start at 1.00pm. At 12.35pm, you and your colleague walk out to the middle to conduct the toss. You are met by the visiting captain and the home team scorer. The scorer tells you
  - a. that his captain's car has broken down on the way to the match, that it's been repaired and that the captain should arrive in about three-quarters of an hour.
  - b. that the captain has authorised him to conduct the toss.

What will you do?

2. The match is scheduled to start at 1.00pm. At 12.15pm you and your colleague are walking the boundary to check the ground. The two teams are warming up on the outfield. One of the visiting fielders attempts to take a catch and trips over the sightscreen, hitting his head in the process. He is bleeding from the injury and has to be helped from the field. You are given the team sheet which shows that the injured player is one of the nominated players. At the toss, the visiting captain says that the fielder is concussed and unfit to play and that the 12<sup>th</sup> man will replace him.

What is your response?

3. Tim and Gareth are batting and Tim is on strike. You are the striker's end umpire. Tim plays the ball out into the offside and calls Gareth for a run. They are almost level when Tim decides that he's not going to make it to the other end and turns back. Gareth continues running and they both arrive at the striker's end. You are not sure who made his ground first. Meanwhile, the wicket has been validly broken at the bowler's end.

Who will you give out, and why?

4. The striker hits a fair delivery high in the air and calls for a run. The non-striker responds. He can see that the bowler is trying to take the catch and diverts from his path, violently shoulder-charging the bowler to the ground. The catch is not taken and the batsmen make good their ground. There is an appeal.

Describe all the actions you would take. Would your answer differ if the delivery had been a No Ball?

5. It is the last ball of the match. The batting side need five runs to win. The striker hits a fair ball high in the air and it is caught on the boundary by the mid-wicket fielder, not far from the scorebox. You are not sure if he has stepped over the boundary in the course of taking the catch. Some spectators are signalling six and others are shouting "Out".

How will you proceed



6. The striker plays the ball towards fine leg. The batsmen complete one run and have crossed on their second when the fielder throws the ball in. It ricochets off a fielder's helmet on the ground behind the wicket-keeper and hits the stumps with the striker out of his ground. The fielders appeal.

What is your decision and how many runs are scored?

7. You are the bowler's end umpire. You see that as the striker turns at your end to attempt a second run, he fails to ground his bat and so does not make good his ground. You consider this accidental. The striker is run out at the wicket-keeper 's end on the second run?

How many runs are scored?

- 8. In which of the following situations is an umpire **required** by the Laws to call and signal Dead ball?
  - a. The batsmen deliberately run short.
  - b. The ball comes to rest before reaching the striker
  - c. The bowler drops the ball accidentally before delivery
  - d. The ball lodges in the clothing of an umpire.
  - e. Attempted Leg byes are to be disallowed.
- 9. Which appeals is the striker's end umpire required to answer?
- 10. After being played, the ball comes to rest behind the popping crease with the striker out of his ground. To avoid being stumped, the striker scrambles back and in doing so knocks the ball on to his wicket, dislodging a bail. The fielding side appeal.

What is your decision?

11. As the fielding side walk on to the field at the start of an innings, you notice that one of the players has two fingers strapped together with surgical tape.

Should you take any action?

12. You are umpiring a Sunday Cup match. The batting side are 5 wickets down when a 14 year old comes to the crease. The signed team sheet you received before the toss confirmed that he was playing with all necessary approvals. The bowling side's opening bowler is on and he bowls a quick short-pitched delivery which passes the batsman at chest height. Only by backing away does the batsman avoid being hit. The next delivery is similar in pace, length and direction and the batsman ducks and ends up sitting down in the crease. In neither case has the batsman played a meaningful shot.

How would you deal with this?



13. As the bowler is running up to deliver the ball, you become aware that forward short leg is swinging his arms about quite vigorously. You are certain that this is a deliberate attempt to distract the striker. This is the first instance of this kind of behaviour.

What action do you take?

14. You are at the striker's end. The batsmen are attempting a single. As the non-striker nears your end, you see silly mid-on deliberately step into his path, so that he has to swerve. He just fails to make his ground as the wicket-keeper removes the bails and appeals.

Describe in full the actions required of you and your colleague.

15. The first innings in a Saturday league match has just completed. You speak to the scorers. The home scorer says that Team A have scored 202 for 5 in their 50 overs. The away scorer says he makes the score 199 for 5. You ask them to cross-check to find the error but 10 minutes before the 2<sup>nd</sup> innings is due to start they tell you that they cannot agree.

How do you proceed?

16. The match starts at 1.00pm. At 1.15pm, one of the fielders splits the webbing on his left hand while trying to take a catch. He is bleeding from the injury and has to leave the field. A substitute fielder comes on. At 2.50pm, the injured fielder returns with his left hand bandaged. He is a right handed bowler. As soon as he returns, the captain gives him the ball and asks him to bowl the next over.

What action will you take?

17. It's a very windy day. A spinner is bowling, with the wind, from your end. The batsman is surrounded by close fielders. The batsman plays at a delivery and there is a concerted appeal from those round the bat for a caught behind. You did not hear a noise or see a deflection so respond "Not Out". The wicketkeeper loudly calls you a f\*\*\*\*\*\* cheating f\*\*\*\*\*\*.

Describe *in full* the action you will now take.

18. The bowler bowls a fair ball. The ball pitches outside leg stump. The batsman plays and misses and the ball hits him on the pad and drops in front of him. He kicks the ball away although it was not rolling towards the stumps. The bowler makes a half-hearted appeal.

How do you respond? Is any other action open to you?



19. The fielding captain changes the field after almost every delivery. After consulting your colleague, you issue a first and final warning for time wasting. Although the batsman on strike remains the same, the captain moves his field around extensively after each of the first three balls of the next over. You call Dead Ball and consult with your colleague. You agree that this is further deliberate time-wasting.

What action do you take?

20. It is the first innings of a 50 over Saturday league match which started at 12.30pm. Player A is bowling. At 12.55pm, after 3 balls of his over, he turns his ankle and has to leave the field. Player B completes the over. You allow Player C to come on as a substitute. At 1.15pm, after 13.4 overs, you turn down an appeal for a caught behind. Player C immediately aggressively confronts the batsman, accuses him of cheating, and threatens to "sort him out" after the match.

You consult with your colleague and decide that Player C has committed a Level 3 offence. You tell his captain that Player C is suspended for 10 overs and he leaves the field. Play continues without further incident and Player C returns to the field promptly at the end of the suspension period.

The drinks interval takes place after 25 overs at 2.00pm. Player A approaches you during the drinks interval and says that he is fit to resume and will do so when play restarts. The captain asks you when Player A will be allowed to bowl.

How do you respond?