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ACL T20 Format - 2022

The Atlanta Cricket League is introducing new format for T20 2022 season as Division 1 and Division 2.

ACL T20 fundamental league structure

Teams/Pools:

- T20 Div 1 will have 14 teams and there will be only one pool.
- T20 Div 2 will have 26 teams and will be divided into 2 pools of 13 teams each.

Games:

- For T20 Div 1, each team will play 13 games against other teams in the pool in a round robin format.
- For T20 Div 2, each team will play 12 games against other teams in the pool in a round robin format.

Playoff Reserve Day:

There will be reserve days for all playoff matches including Finals. If the play is stopped due to rain and/or unplayable ground conditions or due to unavoidable circumstances caused by third party (like ground authorities), then the reserve day will be used(it will be fresh match). If a play-off match could not be scheduled even on a reserve day, then higher ranked team will advance to next round. If the Finals could not be completed on a reserve day then both finalists will be declared as Winners.

T20 League Div 1 - Playoffs

Teams/Pools: Only one pool with 14 teams.

Games: Each team will play 13 games against other teams in the pool in a round robin format.

Rankings

- Top 8 teams ranked R1 to R8 (Total 8) will qualify for the play offs.
- The teams ranked R1 to R4 get to play Semi Finals Qualifiers
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 - Matchups for Semifinal Qualifiers will be R1 vs. R4, R2 vs R3.
 - o The winner of each Semifinals Qualifiers will get ranks as shown below

R1 vs R4

- Winner SF1
- Loser QF2

R2 vs R3

- Winner SF2
- Loser QF1

Pre-Quarter Finals

- Teams ranked R5 to R8 (4 teams) will play Pre-Quarter Finals e.g. R5 vs. R8, R6 vs R7.
- The winner of each pre-quarter finals will be given ranking as below

R5 vs R8

Winner – QF3

R6 vs R7

- Winner QF4
- The losing teams from pre-quarter finals will be ranked as per section 10.4 (Refer ACL rule book).



Quarter Finals

- Winner of Pre-Quarter finals, (QF3, QF4) will play the loser of Semifinals qualifier games (QF1, QF2). e.g. QF1 vs. QF4, QF2 vs. QF3.
- The winner of each quarter final will get the rank as below QF1 vs. QF4
 - Winner SF3

QF2 vs. QF3

- Winner SF4
- The losing team from quarter finals will be ranked as per section 10.4 (Refer ACL rule book).



Semi Finals

- Winner of Quarter finals(SF3, SF4) will play against winner of Semifinal qualifier(SF1, SF2)
- The winner of each semifinal will get the rank as shown below.
 SF1 vs SF4
 - Winner F1

SF2 vs SF3

- Winner F2
- The losing teams from Semifinals will be ranked as per section 10.4 (<u>Refer ACL rule book</u>).

Finals

- o Teams ranked F1 and F2 after Semi Finals will play finals.
- Winner will get #1 ranking for T20 League and Runners Up will get #2 ranking for T20 League
- o In case of cup being shared F1 will get #1 ranking

T20 League Div 2 - Playoffs

Teams/Pools: 26 teams, divided into 2 pools of 13 teams each (e.g. Pool A (A1 to A13), Pool B (B1 to B13).

Games: Each team will play 12 games against other teams in the pool in a round robin format.

Playoffs: These are single elimination rounds, through to the Finals. Games will be played on both Saturdays and Sundays as required.

Rankings

- Top 7 teams from each of the two pools are ranked A1 to A7, B1 to B7 (Total 14) and qualify for the play offs.
- The teams in <u>1st place</u> of each of the two pools are given ranks QF1, QF2. These 2 teams will automatically qualify for **Quarter Finals**.

A1 – QF1

B1 - QF 2

- Pre-Quarter Finals
 - Teams ranked A2 to A7 (6 teams) will play Pre-Quarter Finals with B2 to B7 as shown below

A2 vs. B7

• Winner – QF3

B2 vs. A7

• Winner – QF4

A3 vs B6

• Winner – QF5

B3 vs A6

• Winner – QF6

A4 vs B5

• Winner – QF7

B4 vs A5

• Winner – QF8



 The losing teams from pre-quarter finals will be ranked as per section 10.4 (Refer ACL rule book)

Quarter Finals

- Teams ranked QF1 to QF2 (top ranked team from each pool) and QF3 to QF8 (from Pre-Quarter Finals winners) will play Quarter Finals.
- o The winner of each quarter final will get the rank as shown below

QF1 vs QF8

• Winner – SF1

QF2 vs QF7

• Winner – SF2

QF3 vs QF6

• Winner – SF3

QF4 vs QF5

- Winner SF4
- The losing team from quarter finals will be ranked as per section 10.4 (<u>Refer ACL rule book</u>)



Semi Finals

 Winner of Quarter finals(SF1,SF2, SF3, SF4) will play Semi finals. The winner of each semifinal will get the rank as shown below.

SF1 vs SF4

• Winner – F1

SF2 vs SF3

- Winner F2
- The losing teams from Semifinals will be ranked as per section 10.4 (<u>Refer ACL rule book</u>).

Finals

- o Teams ranked F1 and F2 after Semi Finals will play finals.
- Winner will get #1 ranking for T20 Division II League and Runners Up will get #2 ranking for T20 League
- o In case of cup being shared F1 will get #1 ranking



Promotion/Relegation

The bottom ranked 4 teams (Ranked 11 to 14) from T20 Division 1 will be relegated to T20 Div2 in the upcoming year.

The top ranked 4 teams (Semifinalists) from T20 Division 2 will be promoted to T20 Div1 in the upcoming year.