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ACL T20 League Format - 2023

2 new teams were added to Division 2 in 2023. Playoff Format for T20 League 2023 season will remain the same as last year.

ACL T20 League Structure

Teams/Pools:

- T20 Div 1 will have 14 teams and there will be only one pool.
- T20 Div 2 will have 28 teams and will be divided into 2 pools of 14 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 13 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 Division 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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 - o Matchups for Semifinal Qualifiers will be R1 vs. R4, R2 vs R3.
 - 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.
- o 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.
- o 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 (<u>Refer ACL rule book</u>).

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
- In case of cup being shared F1 will get #1 ranking

T20 League Division 2 – Playoffs

Teams/Pools: 28 teams, divided into 2 pools of 14 teams each (e.g. Pool A (A1 to A14), Pool B (B1 to B14).

Games: Each team will play 13 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**.

$$A1 - QF1$$
, $B1 - QF2$

- 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 (Refer ACL rule book)

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

SF1 vs SF4

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

Finals

- 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 Division 2 in the upcoming year.

The top ranked 4 teams (Semifinalists) from T20 Division 2 will be promoted to T20 Division 1 in the upcoming year.