



CHRISTCHURCH JUNIOR CRICKET ASSOCIATION

CJCA GIRLS GRADE SUMMARY as at 1st August 2026

	Girls Mini Mags Up to Year 4	Girls JUNIOR Super 8 Up to Year 6	Girls INTERMEDIATE Up to Year 8 Incrediball	Girls INTERMEDIATE Up to Year 8 Hardball
GENERAL				
Team size	8	8	8	9 for Hardball
Overs	16 Overs – Pairs Cricket	20 Overs – Pairs Cricket	20 Overs - Pairs Cricket Pre-Christmas - Age & Stage (Grace period) – - Post-Christmas	20 Overs
	All bowling from one end	All bowling from one end	5 overs bowled each end	5 overs bowled each end
Pitch Length	14m	16m	18m	18m
Ball	Junior Club Incrediball 88-92 gram	Junior Match Incrediball 130-134 gram	Match Incrediball 130-134 gram	142g leather ball (PINK or RED) Red to be phased out by 2027/28
Equipment	Bats Plastic or Wooden + TWO SMALL TEES NB: At Year 3 or 4, plastic gear can be used by those new to cricket or with different abilities, but coaches must ensure that plastic gear is NOT being used by competent batters to gain an advantage.	Small Tees. Minimum front pad and all other safety equipment. Keepers to wear gloves and helmets	Pre-Christmas Small tees Minimum front pad and all other safety equipment. Keepers to wear gloves and helmets	Full protective equipment (Hardball) Keepers to wear gloves and helmets
Boundary Size	25 m or Natural boundaries	30 m or Natural boundaries	35m where possible	35m where possible
Day	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday
Start time	9am Saturday or 5.30pm Fridays	9am	9am	9am

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BATTING				
Duration	4 overs per pair – Swap ends when out	5 overs per pair. Swap ends when out.	Pre-Christmas – 5 overs per pair. Swap ends when out. Post-Christmas - 6 ball minimum Swap ends during grace period if batter is Out Retired batters can return (see below). Out when out AFTER 6 balls	6 ball minimum Swap ends during grace period if batter is Out Retired batters can return (see below). Out when out AFTER 6 balls
Retiring	Each Batter to face 12 deliveries	Each batter to face 15 deliveries	Pre-Christmas – Each batter to face 15 deliveries Post Christmas – Immediately after 15 Legitimate Balls BATTERS DISMISSED DURING THEIR GRACE PERIOD MAY NOT RETURN (retired can return)	Immediately after 15 Legitimate Balls BATTERS DISMISSED DURING THEIR GRACE PERIOD MAY NOT RETURN (retired can return)
LBWs	NO	NO	Back foot	Back foot
Free Hit	Off Tee – EITHER SIDE No Balls and Wides – Run out only	Off Tee – EITHER SIDE No Balls and Wides – Run out only	Pre-Christmas – No Balls and Wides - Off tee – Run Out only Post Christmas – after No Balls – Run Outs only	After No Balls – Run Outs only
Last Batter Standing	NO	NO	NO YES AFTER CHRISTMAS	YES

	Girls Mini Mags Up to Year 4	Girls Junior Super 8 Up to Year 6	Girls Intermediate Up to Year 8 Incrediball	Girls Intermediate Up to Year 8 Hardball
BOWLING & FIELDING				
Max Overs per bowler	2	3	3	4
Max Balls per over	6	6	6 pre-Christmas 6 *** post-Christchurch	6
Bonus Runs	x3 / wicket	X3 / wicket	Pre-Christmas – X5 /wicket Post-Christmas X5 / wicket in grace period	X5 / wicket in grace period
Wides/ No Balls value	Runs scored from 'Free Hit' only	Runs scored from 'Free Hit' only	Pre -Christmas – runs scored from the Free Hit only Post Christmas – 1 plus any extra scored. 2 plus any extras on last ball of Over ** except 20 th see *** below	1 plus any extra scored. 2 plus any extras on last ball of Over ** except 20 th over see *** below
Max overs per spell	1	2	3	3 - No one can bowl 4th until all have bowled 3
Max Run up	5m	10m	- 15m	- 15m
Exclusion zone	10m from batsman ex slips/gully and keeper	10m from batsman ex slips/gully and keeper	10m from batsman ex slips/gully and keeper	10m from batsman ex slips/gully and keeper
Boundary Limits		3 Fielders required to be closer to the Batter than the Boundary - - ALL GRADE YEAR 5 AND OLDER Does not include Wicket Keeper or Bowler		
Byes and Overthrows	Mini Mags– Maximum 1 Bye or Overthrow	No limit on Byes or Overthrows		
Rotate Positions	Yes	Yes	No	No

** Extras worth 2 runs on **6th ball of an over** – no free hit on first ball of next over. Where a wide or a no ball is bowled on the **6th ball of an over**, 2 runs will be scored as no 'Free Hit' can be given as the maximum deliveries in an over are 6.

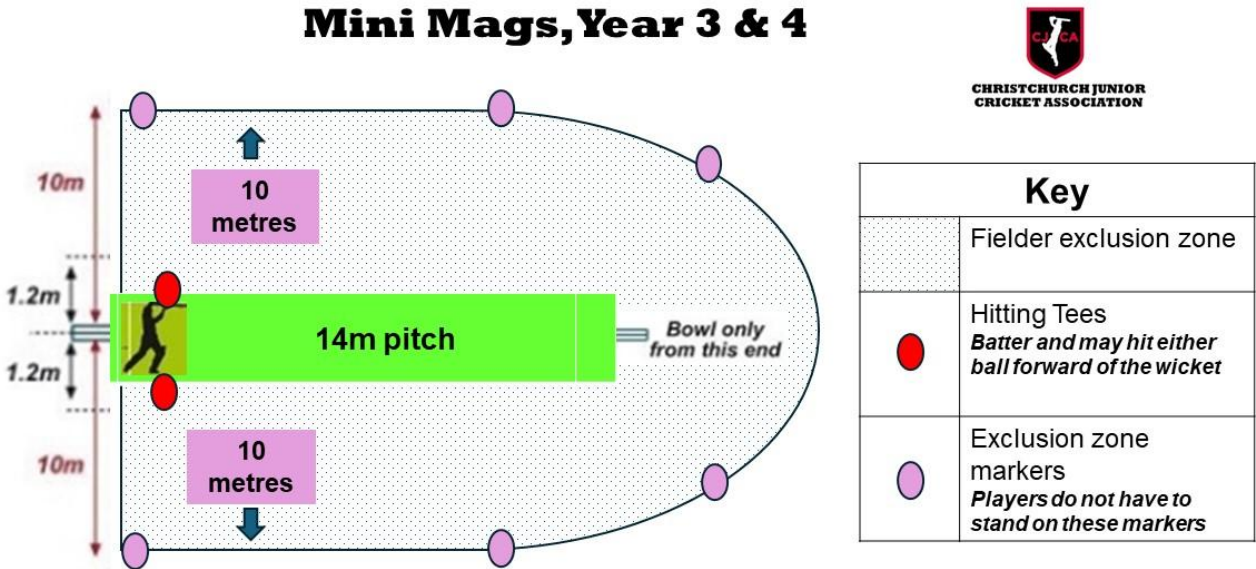
*** 6 legitimate balls must be bowled in the last over

CJCA FIELD CONFIGURATIONS

Mini Mags up to Year 4

Players may only hit the ball off the Tee **FORWARD OF THE WICKET** on **EITHER SIDE**

Mini Mags, Year 3 & 4



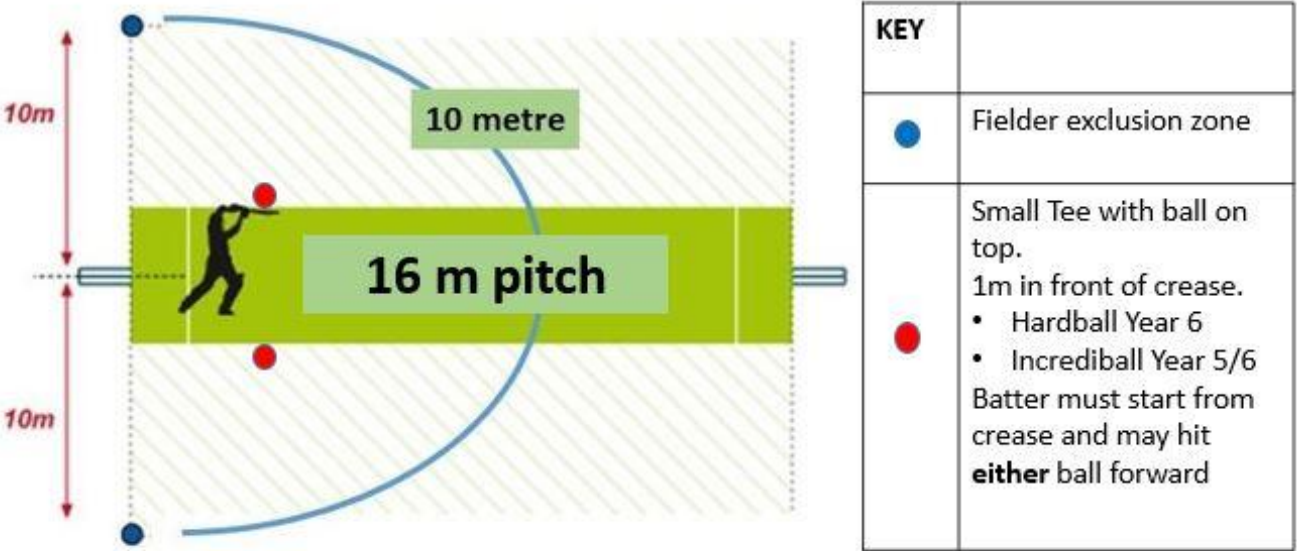
CJCA Pitch Maps - May 2024

Girls Junior Super 8s up to Year 6

Players may start in the middle of the crease and move towards and hit **EITHER BALL**

Year 5 and Year 5/6 Super 8

No fielders to be within 10m of a striker



Up to Year 8

Girls Intermediate Incrediball

Players may start in the middle of the crease and move towards and hit EITHER BALL

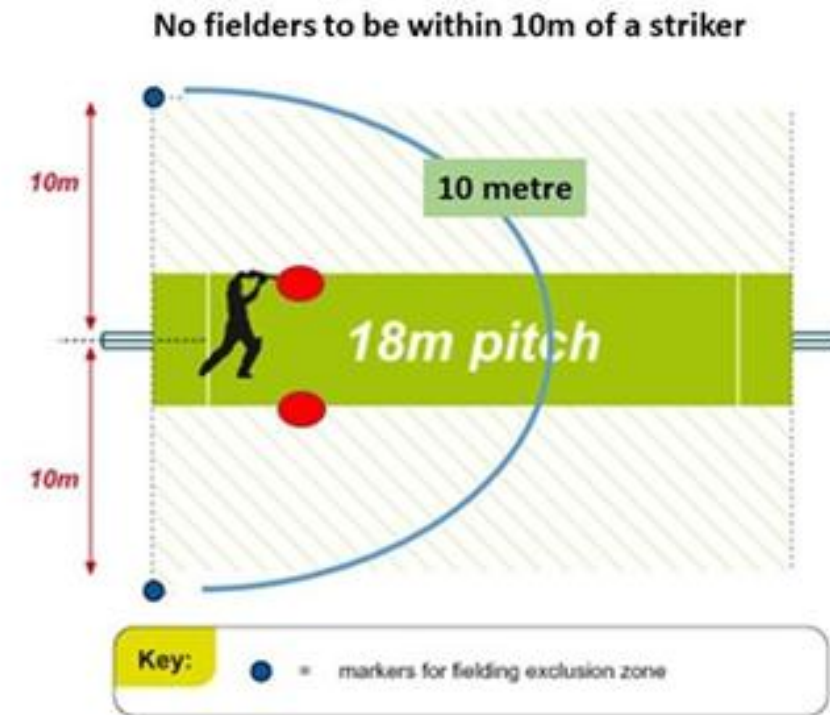
Pitch Maps

18 metre – Intermediate Incrediball

GIRLS INTERMEDIATE INCREDIBALL

Free Hits off cones pre-Christmas

Tees 1m in-front of batters



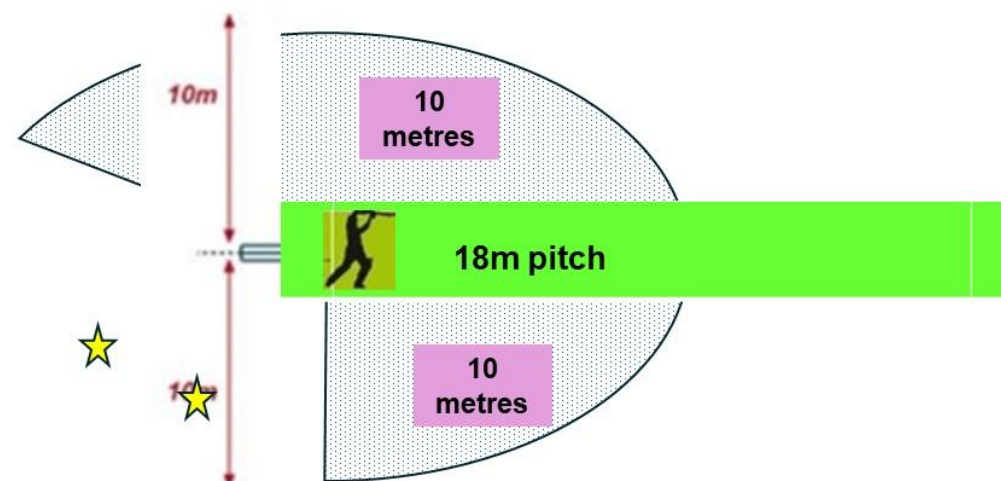
Up to Year 8

Girls Intermediate Hardball

NO BATTING TEES

Minimum of 3 Fielders closer to the Batter than the Boundary at all times

YEAR 7/8 HARDBALL



Key	
•	Fielder exclusion zone
★	Slips and gullies permitted backward of the wicket