



ECB ACO South Central Region

Guidance for Players who Umpire and/or Score.



These guidelines are provided to help ensure that ECB and League regulations are consistently applied in both innings.

They should be discussed with the Standing Umpire(s) prior to the toss.

Players who Umpire at the Strikers End

To maximise the match experience, it is recommended that experienced players who know the laws of the game assist the standing umpire by standing at the striker's end.

The Player is an Umpire and a Partner of the Standing Umpire and is:

- Responsible for stumping and run out decisions (the line needs to be visible to make sure of the grounding behind it).
- Ensuring the stumps and bails are correctly set after the wicket is broken.
- Confirming catches in the field and whether the players crossed before the catch.
- Confirming the ball reaches the boundary bouncing or on the full.
- Counting the valid deliveries in the over and acknowledgment of balls to go signals from the bowler's end umpire.
- Advising of any short runs.
- Advising of any deliveries that pass the batsman on the full above waist height in a standing position.
(the pace of the bowler is not relevant, and the waist is the belly button above the top of the trousers).
- Advising of any delivery that bounces above head height of the batsman in a standing position.
- Confirming the number of completed runs before the ball is dead or if thrown over the boundary by a fielder (the standing umpire will consult in these situations).
- Call no ball when the fielding side has more than two fielders behind square on the leg side.
- The standing umpire will consult on other issues such as the state of the ball and rain delays.



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Players who Score.

The scorers are responsible for the scores and the result of the match. The umpires want to be certain that the signals they make are acknowledged and correctly recorded in the score book. The umpires do not keep score.

- Update the scorebook every ball and acknowledge all signals from the umpires.
- Update the scoreboard at least at the end of each over. The number of overs bowled is critical.
- Advise on number of balls left in the over when asked by the umpires.
- Advise on number of overs bowled by each bowler when asked by the umpires. (ECB young player bowling and fielding restrictions apply).
- Be available to confirm the score at the end of each innings, confirming the noted penalty runs and other irregularities that have occurred.
- Record the start and end time of any interruptions in play due to bad weather as this information is required to determine the number of overs lost in the game.