

## **Duckworth Lewis Stern (DLS) Protocol**

1. The Home club shall provide
  - (i) a DLS Manager who may or may not be the scorer who must identify himself/herself to the umpires and captains before the start of the game
  - (ii) a laptop computer configured with the latest version of PCS PRO available at the start of the season, together with any updates released during the remainder of the season
  - (iii) a printer (in full working order) and paper to produce the printed par score tables
2. After any hold up in play, the umpires will notify the scorers and the DLS Manager of the number of overs lost and the DLS Manager and/or the scorers will perform the calculations required and produce the printed par score tables (over by over version).
3. If the DLS Manager is not the scorer, he/she must understand the DLS method and must produce the DLS calculations himself/herself or check the calculations produced by the scorer.
4. The umpires are only responsible for recalculating the overs and giving these details to the scorers and DLS Manager, but both umpires must satisfy themselves as to the correctness of all such calculations before allowing further play to take place.
5. It is the responsibility of the HOME team to provide the captains and umpires with a sheet showing the par score at the end of each over according to how many wickets have been lost. This sheet shall be produced before the beginning of the second innings in all limited over matches and shall be revised after every interruption with an amended sheet provided to each captain and to the umpires before play is re-started.
6. From the beginning of the second innings in all limited over matches, the DLS par score at the end of the over in progress shall be displayed on the scoreboard and updated whenever it changes.
7. Failure to carry out steps 5 and 6 above should be reported by the umpires to the General Manager of the League. He, in turn, will report the facts to the Cricket & Registration Committee which has the power to impose points and/or financial penalties as it sees fit.
8. Any dispute between the scorers and the DLS Manager as to the par score or any other DLS matter shall in the first instance be referred to the captains who shall endeavour in good faith to resolve it. Only if the captains fail to reach agreement shall the matter in dispute be referred to the umpires whose decision shall be final.
9. Should PCS PRO (which contains the latest DLS version in use at the start of the season) be unavailable and there is an interruption, due to inclement weather or other unavoidable cause, the match will be won by the side with the higher average run rate at the end of each innings. The umpires will report the breach to the General Manager of the League and he will report the facts to the Cricket & Registration Committee which has the power to impose points and/or financial penalties as it sees fit.