

Junior Welsh Cups and U19's T20 Cup

2021 FAQs

Preamble:

The 2020 Junior Welsh Cup and U19's T20 Cup was unable to proceed as planned but we approach the 2021 competition with an optimism to complete and crown a winner wherever possible. With the ongoing pandemic potentially impacting fixtures we would ask that clubs be as flexible and understanding as possible and work together to 'get the game on'. **It is a prerequisite for all clubs who enter the competition to adhere to any covid related restrictions that are in place during each fixture. For the latest coronavirus information please see [here](#).**

1. *What happens if the cricket season doesn't start on the scheduled date?*

- We have planned for a 'complete' season in the calendar, however if the season hasn't commenced at the start of the competition, we have contingency plans in place. They are as follows.
- Plan A – 'Full', complete season and therefore complete nationwide Junior Welsh Cup, **4 Zones** with zone winners being invited to a National Finals Day. Winners of each National Finals day go on to represent Wales in the ECB Cup. Round Dates can be found [here](#).
- Plan B – If the start of the season is delayed, we will revert to plan B which is to separate the Junior Welsh Cup and ECB Cup. The ECB Cup must have a Welsh Winner by June 27th (U13's) and July 11th (U15's). We will react in a timely manner to draw up new round dates, and canvass clubs to enter the ECB Cup. The Welsh Cup will be pushed back later into the season to allow the best opportunity to be completed. This may extend into September.
- Plan C – Will be used if the season does not start by mid-June or if travel is an issue. We would hold four regional competitions (North, West, South Central & East Cups). If plan C is needed the start date of these competitions would be likely to be mid-July.

2. *What if a club is unable to fulfil the fixture by the allotted date? (This is inclusive of Covid and Non-Covid related issues, covid related lockdowns & illnesses)*

- Whilst matches would normally be expected to be played before the scheduled round date. We ask Junior Coaches or Fixture Secretaries to liaise with each other to find a suitable day to play. Eventhough the fixture shows a 'Home and Away' Team, the fixture can be played at either venue before the round date window expires. If both clubs are unable to fulfil the fixture and can't agree on another date a coin toss will be the final resolution.

3. *One team is wearing traditional 'whites' whilst the opposition is in 'coloured' clothing – what colour ball do they use?*

Whatever colour of ball the two clubs agree, red, white (unless sight screens are being used), pink or orange. Where agreement cannot be reached the Home Team shall decide and provide a suitable match ball for the whole game.

3. How many regional areas will there be?

- If the competition commences on the original scheduled date, there will be four zones. Cricket Wales reserves the right to alter the number of regions, but this will only be done with the best interests of our member clubs in mind.

4. Will panel umpires be provided?

- Clubs are asked to provide qualified coaches or umpires to official games through to zone finals. Panel umpires will be present at the National finals day.

Cricket Wales reserves the right to make further changes to the competition based on Welsh Government directives.



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