



A summary of the changes to the laws of cricket 2017/18

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Summary of the changes pertaining to Swiss cricket



- Runs scored off bat from no ball accredited to batsman
- Byes & Leg Byes from no ball are no longer no-ball extras or against bowler
- A ball bouncing more than once is a no ball
- Any delivery passing over the head is a no ball
- No run out after something has been grounded beyond the popping crease
- Fielder's and striker's helmet now part of game
- All players involved in a catch must start from within the boundary
- Mock fielding & running under „Unfair Play“ results in 5 penalty runs (no warning)
- Bowler to be suspended for deliberate front foot no ball
- Mankading now up to point that bowler would have released ball (i.e. top of arch)
- In play player absence through accident or injury carries no penalty
- „Handled the ball“ & „Lost ball“ deleted
- Substitutes can now act as wicket-keeper
- Law 42 Player Conduct introduces penalties for Level 1, 2, 3 & 4 offences
- New bat dimensions valid as of 2020



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Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Excessive or unreasonable appealing	Physical contact to prevent catch/run	Intimidating language or gesture	Violence threatened or actual assault
Dissent	Throw ball at another player	Threaten to assault player, official, spectator	
Obscene or offensive language	Any repeat of Level 1	Any repeat of Level 2	Any repeat of Level 3
<i>Refer to Cricket Switzerland Code Of Conduct</i>			
Warning	5 penalty runs	Suspension 20% of innings, i.e. 4 or 8 overs	Remove for entire match

Correct procedure:

- call & signal dead ball
- collect ball
- consult with colleague
- signal to scorers (if applicable)
- note time (for report and for adding on time)
- inform captains,
- resume „play“,
- make report



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Suspension or removal of player (fielder, bowler, batsman)



42.4.2.3.3 If the offending player is a fielder, no substitute shall be allowed for him/her. The offending player may return to the field of play after serving the period of suspension and may bowl immediately.

42.4.2.3.4 If a bowler is suspended mid-over, then that over must be completed by a different bowler, who shall not have bowled the previous over nor shall he/she bowl the next over.

42.4.2.3.5 If the offending player is a not out striker, they shall be replaced by another member of their team. The offending player may return to bat after having served the suspension only at the fall of a wicket. If no batsman is available to bat during a batsman's suspension, the innings is completed.

If the offending player does not continue their innings for whatever reason, they are to be recorded as Retired – not out.

Note: Umpire may award match if captain does not remove player from field (level 3 or 4 offence)



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