



India's Premier Tennis Cricket Ball League

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FOREWARD



The Dream League of India (DLI) represents more than just a tennis-cricket ball tournament—it is a vision to democratize opportunity, celebrate grassroots talent, and reimagine the way tennis-cricket ball is played, perceived, and pursued across the nation.

This Rulebook & Match Operations Manual is a comprehensive framework designed to ensure fairness, discipline, and professionalism at every level of league engagement. Whether you are a player chasing a dream, a coach shaping potential, or a franchise nurturing future stars, this document is your compass for conduct, operations, and excellence.

We believe that sport is not just about performance, but also about values. At DLI, integrity, respect, inclusivity, and sportsmanship are non-negotiable. Each regulation in this manual has been curated with a commitment to transparency and a belief in the transformative power of sport.

As we take the first steps towards building India's most exciting tennis-cricket ball platform, let this Rulebook stand as a testament to our collective intent—to play hard, play fair, and play with pride.

Welcome to the Dream League of India.

-DLI Organising Committee

Vision Statement

To build India's most exciting and professionally run tennis-cricket ball eco-system that empowers local talent, inspires sporting dreams, and sets a new benchmark for grassroots-level sports innovation.

Our Identity

The Dream League of India (DLI) is not just a tournament-it is a movement. We believe that cricket belongs to every street, field, and playground where a young player dreams big. By harnessing the spirit and simplicity of tennis cricket ball , DLI transforms it into a high-quality, structured, and emotionally resonant sporting experience.

Core Pillars of the DLI Identity

- **Democratization of Opportunity:** DLI breaks barriers by making cricket accessible and aspirational for players from all walks of life.
- **Professionalism with a Heart:** Every match, every rule, and every broadcast reflect our commitment to excellence-delivered with empathy and integrity.
- **Culture of Fair Play:** The league champions sportsmanship, mutual respect, and zero tolerance for misconduct-on and off the field.
- **A Platform for Tomorrow:** We identify and amplify emerging talent, helping players grow through data, mentorship, visibility, and competition.
- **Pride in Local Roots:** DLI celebrates India's diversity, regional fervor, and the unique stories that shape its cricketing spirit.

DLI stands for dreams pursued with discipline. We play hard. We play fair. We play with pride.

The Dream League of India (DLI) is a premier tennis-cricket ball league envisioned to elevate grassroots-level cricket by promoting excellence, fostering professionalism, and upholding integrity. Administered by this comprehensive Rulebook and Match Operations Manual, the DLI aims to nurture a dynamic, inclusive ecosystem where emerging talent seamlessly connects with meaningful opportunities.

Upon registration, players will first receive an opportunity for Trials to get shortlisted for Auction round; if the player is picked up/sold to the franchise owners of DLI, he will get to play the DLI tournament; in case the player is not picked up/not sold at the auction round, he will get picked up to play the Zonal tournament. There will be five intra-zonal tournaments held post-DLI tournament, and in the next round, the five champion Zonal teams will compete in the DLI All-India Zonal Tournament. The champion team of the Zonal Tournament will face off with the champion of the DLI Tournament. All the 80 players (5 zonal champions teams x 16 players per team) competing in the Zonal Tournament will get an opportunity to be picked/sold to the franchise owners for the next DLI season under the Platinum Card rule. A franchise owner can pick/purchase a maximum of two players from the Zonal round under this rule.

FORMAT OF THE GAME FOR TOURNAMENTS

- **Type:** Exclusively tennis-cricket ball (not leather ball)
- **Overs per innings:** 10 overs
- **Balls per over:** 6 legitimate deliveries
- **Breaks:** A mandatory 10-minute interval between innings

- **Squad size in DLI tournament:** Each DLI franchise must register a squad comprising Minimum 16 players TILL 20 players Maximum (11 in the Playing XI + 5 Substitutes + 4 in the dressing room)
- **Squad size in the Zonal round:** Each team in the Zonal round must register a squad comprising 16 players (11 in the Playing XI + 5 Substitutes)
- **Playing XI:** Must be declared to the Match Referee prior to the toss
- **Substitutions:** No rolling substitutions allowed; replacements permitted only in the event of an injury and subject to approval from the Match Referee
- **Support Staff for DLI tournament:** Each team is allowed a maximum of five to nine officials (Coach, Team Manager, Trainer, Physiotherapist, Video Analyst, Assistant Coach, Mentor, Mental Trainer, Masseur)
- **Support Staff for Zonal tournament:** Each team is allowed a maximum of two officials
- **Impact Player:** The Impact Player Rule allows each team to replace one player from their playing XI during the match with a substitute player from a pre-decided list. This replacement can happen for strategic reasons—not just injuries
- **How Impact Player Rule will work:**

Teams Name 5 substitutes after the Toss

One of them can be Impact Player

The incoming player can bat and bowl (full quote of 2 overs bowling)

The replaced player cannot take any further part in that specific game

Only 11 players can bat in the game

- **Usage Timings for Impact Player**

Before the start of an innings

After the fall of a wicket

At the end of an over

When a batter retires

- **Ace Card:** If a team wants one (1) batsman(who is out once in the ongoing match) from the Playing XI and the Impact Player included, to bat again, it will have to forfeit 20 runs from their score at that time in lieu of taking this strategical opportunity. For example, if the score stands at 100/5 wickets in 6.2 overs and the batting team wants to use an Ace Card its score will decrease to 80/5 wickets in 6.2 overs for this batsman to bat a second time in the match. The match will proceed from thereon

A. DLI TOURNAMENT

- The tournament will follow a league-stage round-robin format
- The top four teams will progress to the playoffs
- In the senior category a total of 33 round-robin league matches will be held in the DLI Tournament, including two semifinals and one final.
- In the Under-18 category, teams will be divided into two groups where they will square off in a round-robin league, with the top-two teams emerging from each group will head for the qualification rounds, ie., the two semifinals and one final.
- There will be a 10-minute break between the innings in a match
- In the event of a points tie, Net Run Rate (NRR) will be the deciding criterion
- Teams announce their squad and commence training
- Teams announced in advance as per fixture drawn
- Tournament to be conducted as per the rules and regulations, and match operation manual mentioned in this document

B. ZONAL TOURNAMENT

The following shall be implemented for both Under-18 & Open category:

- Players not selected/sold in the Auction will be given another opportunity to be part of DLI; the Zonal tournament shall be conducted in two stages – first, the Intra-Zonal tournament for all the five zones; next, the champion team emerging from each zone will face off for the Zonal tournament title
- Teams in both the senior category teams and Under-18 will be clubbed in a number of groups depending on the number of teams. For ex., Group A-D to comprise of four teams each
- After the qualification rounds, the top-four teams will square off in the two semifinals and their winners will clash in the final to decide the eventual winner.
- There will be a 10-minute break between the innings in a match
- In the event of a points tie, Net Run Rate (NRR) will be the deciding criterion
- Players not picked or sold in Auction shall be given an opportunity to play in the Zonal round to become eligible for Platinum card rule
- All the players in the five zonal teams will be eligible to be picked/purchased by Franchise Owners for the next season of DLI tournament – a team can purchase a maximum of two such players from the Zonal tournament for the next season

- Dates for Zonal to be announced well in advance – 30 days before zonal tournament
- Five Zones will first conduct their intra-zonal tournaments to be held with the available players not picked/sold in the auction
- The five Zonal tournament champion teams will compete in the All-India Zonal Tournament
- Tournament to be conducted as per the rules and regulations, and match operation manual mentioned in this document

DLI CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS TOURNAMENT: DLI CHAMPION VS ZONAL CHAMPION

The following shall be implemented for both Under-18 & Open category:

- The Champion team of DLI will take on the Champion from the Zonal round in both the age categories – Seniors and Under-18
- The 160 players (16 players in each zonal champion team each for both Seniors and Under-18) from the Zonal will be considered for the Platinum Card – each of the franchise owners can draft 2 players from the squad of 80 players for the next season of DLI by using the Platinum Card for both Seniors and Under-17 teams

TRIALS

The following shall be implemented for both Under-18 & Seniors category:

- Registration completed for a season
- Dates for Trials to be announced
- Trials to be held for shortlisting players for Auction – batsmen, bowlers
- Wicketkeepers will be shortlisted by the Selection Panel appointed for every Trial venue
- Players appear for Trials, register at Registration Desk, provided basic amenities
- Match set up arranged on the ground as per rules and regulations of DLI
- A registered batsman will get 6 legitimate deliveries to score a target of 16 runs for qualification to the next round
- A registered bowler will get 6 legitimate deliveries to dismiss a batsman or prevent him from scoring 16 runs, to qualify for the next round
- DLI to collate data of trials and announce shortlisted players for auction within 30 days of the trials

- **Playing Surface:** Matches shall be conducted on natural surfaces.
- **Pitch Length:** The distance between wickets shall be 22 yards.
- **Field Diameter:** The total playing area shall measure between 50 to 60 meters in diameter, depending on the venue layout and available space.
- **Boundary Markings:** Boundaries must be clearly marked using colored ropes. The boundary should be equidistant as far as practicable.
- **Inner Circle (Optional):** If implemented, the inner circle shall have a radius of 30 yards from the center of the pitch. Rules related to field placements within the circle will be communicated in advance if applicable.
- **DLI Standard:** The Dream League of India emphasizes the spirit and accessibility of tennis-cricket ball. All field measurements are guided by the need for safety, fairness, and consistency across venues, while maintaining flexibility for ground-specific conditions.

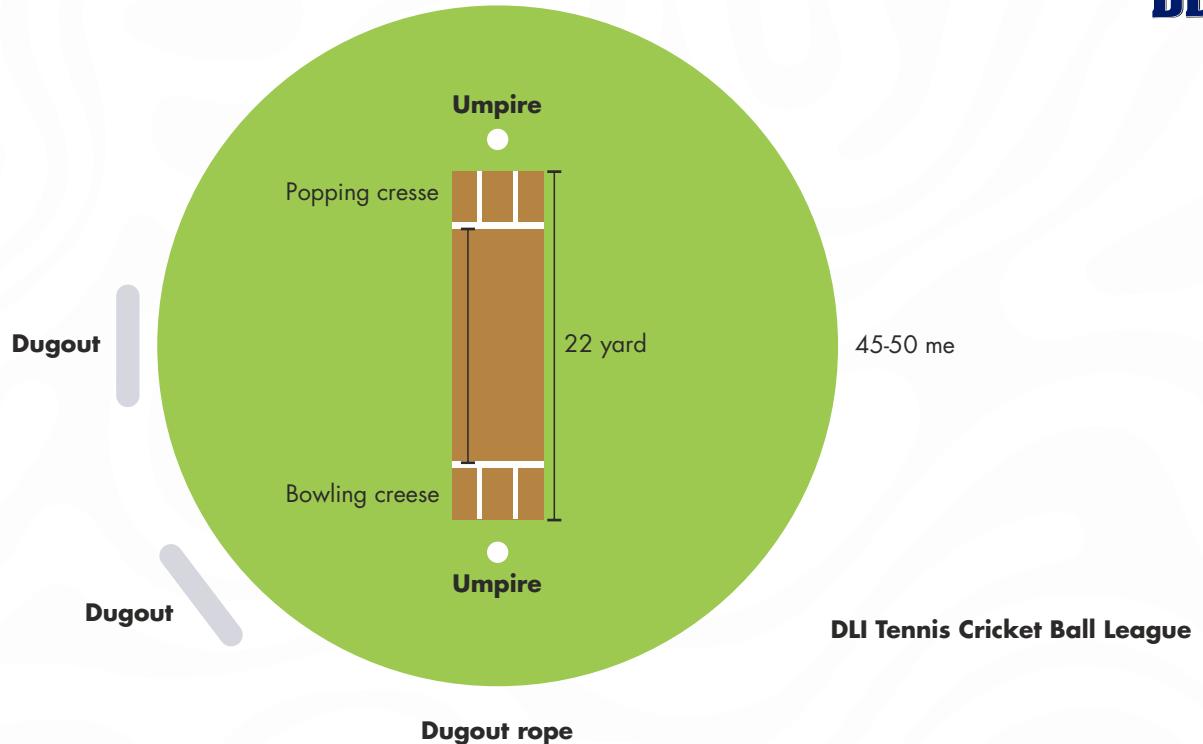
A. DLI Ground Measurements (Standardized)

Overall Ground Size

- **Diameter of Playable Area:** 45–60 meters
- **Boundary from the center:** Max 25 meters in all directions (can vary slightly for urban setups)
- **Shape:** Circular or slightly oval, depending on space

Pitch Area

- **Pitch Length:** 22
- **Pitch Width:** 8 feet (2.44 meters)
- **Material:** Clay/turf with optional green carpet mat for bounce control



Bowling Crease & Markings

- **Bowling crease:** 1.22 meters (4 ft) in front of stumps
- **Popping crease:** 1.22 meters in front of bowling crease
- **Return crease:** 1.32 meters from each stump

Boundary Setup

- **Minimum Distance:** 20 meters from the center of the pitch
- **Maximum Distance:** 25 meters
- **Side Screens:** Minimum 10 ft high behind the bowler
- **Optional Netting:** For indoor-like enclosed fields or to contain the ball

Field Zones (Optional for Innovation & Strategy)

- **Powerplay Zone:** 15 meters arc from the center, inside which only 2 fielders allowed during first 3 overs

Spectator Seating & Dugouts

- **Player Dugouts:** On either side of the pitch, 10 meters away
- **Spectator Zone:** Outside the 25-meter boundary

B. MATCH OFFICIALS AND THEIR POWERS



- **Umpires:** Two on-field umpires shall be appointed for each match from the DLI Official Panel. Their decisions on the field are final and cannot be challenged except in cases of mistaken identity or scoring errors.
- **Third Umpire:** To be used in DLI and Zonal tournament for run-outs, stumpings, or boundary decisions. The Match Referee shall determine the usage based on available facilities.
- **Scorer:** An official scorer shall maintain match records using the DLI-approved digital platform. The scorer's entries will be treated as the official record.
- **Match Referee:** Shall oversee match proceedings, enforce the Code of Conduct, rule on injuries, delays, or disputes, and is empowered to award matches in extraordinary circumstances (e.g., time violations, walkovers).
- **Powers of Intervention:**
 - Match officials may suspend or delay play due to unsafe weather or pitch conditions.
 - Umpires can penalize teams for slow over rates, including awarding penalty runs or reducing overs after due warning.
 - The Match Referee may reject any player or official who breaches the spirit of the game, following consultation with umpires.

MATCH DAY PROTOCOL

- All players must report at the venue at least 80 minutes prior to the scheduled start
- The toss shall be conducted exactly 30 minutes before the match
- Umpires and scorers will be appointed by the DLI's official panel
- A Match Referee will be assigned to supervise all proceedings
- Each team must carry a match kit comprising jerseys, bibs, first-aid kit, match balls, and drinking water

CODE OF CONDUCT

- Players shall not dissent against umpiring decisions
- Use of foul or abusive language is strictly prohibited
- Physical or verbal intimidation is unacceptable
- Decisions made by match officials are final and binding
- Breaches of conduct may lead to official warnings, suspension, or permanent disqualification from the league

- An independent Ethics and Integrity Unit shall be constituted by the DLI Organising Committee
- The unit will monitor all activities related to match-fixing, gambling, and any other form of manipulation
- An anonymous reporting mechanism will be provided for whistleblowers
- Attendance at the annual integrity workshop is compulsory for all players and franchise representatives

ANTI-DOPING CODE

- The DLI enforces a strict anti-doping policy aligned with international best practices
- Players may be selected for random drug testing during the tournament
- The use of performance-enhancing substances or any banned drugs will result in immediate suspension and possible expulsion

INJURY POLICY

- Teams are permitted to nominate one substitute for concussion or serious injury, subject to prior approval from the Match Referee
- The team's medical staff must evaluate the injury and submit an official report
- No in-game replacement is allowed without the Match Referee's express sanction

RAIN OR UNFORESEEN INTERRUPTIONS

- A minimum of 3 overs per side is required for a match to be considered valid
- The DLS method or a simplified scoring system will be used in shortened matches
- The Match Referee will have the authority to decide in cases of abandonment or inconclusive results

FRANCHISE & SPONSORSHIP GUIDELINES



- All franchises must strictly adhere to the DLI's branding and sponsorship guidelines
- Sponsor logos may appear on team apparel in accordance with league norms
- Direct or surrogate advertising of alcohol, tobacco, or similar restricted categories is prohibited

MEDIA & BROADCAST

- Players are expected to be available for official media interactions as scheduled
- Team owners and head coaches may be required to participate in press conferences
- Mobile live streaming must comply with the league's broadcast framework and guidelines

TECHNOLOGY AND DATA

- Real-time score updates are mandatory via the official DLI App
- An analytics dashboard will be provided to team coaches and league officials
- Unauthorized video recording, live streaming, or use of analytical data is strictly forbidden

TROPHIES AND AWARDS

- **Champion's Trophy:** Awarded to the tournament-winning team
- **Player of the Tournament:** Recognizing consistent all-round performance
- **Best Batsman / Best Bowler / Fair Play Award:** Individual performance-based honours
- **Emerging Talent Award:** For the most promising new player of the season

DISPUTES AND APPEALS



- Any protest or grievance must be submitted in writing within 24 hours of the incident
- Appeals will be adjudicated by the League Rules and Redressal Committee
- Appeals on account of indiscipline will be adjudicated by the League Disciplinary Committee
- Appeals on account of allegation of match-fixing will be adjudicated by the League Ethic & Integrity Committee
- Appeals on account of allegation of doping and banned substance will be adjudicated by the League Anti-Doping & Wellness Committee
- The decision of the Committees shall be deemed final and binding

GOVERNING BODY & AMENDMENTS

- The DLI Organising Committee shall serve as the highest governing authority on all matters concerning league operations
- This Rulebook is subject to periodic review and amendment at the conclusion of each tournament season or anytime after serving an advanced written correspondence on official email at a notice of two days.

LEAGUE IDENTITY & POSITIONING

- The Dream League of India (DLI) is a **Tennis-cricket ball IP** and not to be confused with leather-ball tournaments.
- DLI shall retain full rights over the name, logo, audiovisual content, team/player data, and all commercial aspects of the league.
- Participating franchises are custodians of grassroots cricket values and must uphold the league's core philosophy: Respect, Equality, Passion, and Possibility.
- Each franchise is encouraged to cultivate its unique identity while aligning with the league's commitment to nurturing talent and professionalism.
- The DLI logo and brand collateral must be used as per the guidelines issued to teams, partners, and broadcasters.
- Any attempt to misrepresent, replicate, or commercially exploit the DLI brand without official sanction will attract legal and financial repercussions.
- The league's tagline "**Where Every Street Meets a Dream**" symbolizes its mission to bridge local talent with national visibility.

The Dream League of India (DLI) acknowledges the vital role that physical, mental, and emotional well-being plays in sport. To foster a supportive and nurturing ecosystem, the following principles will be upheld:

- **Player Well-being:** Teams must ensure that players are well-rested, properly hydrated, and receive access to basic medical care and recovery. The DLI encourages franchises to promote wellness practices such as warm-ups, cool-downs, and proper nutrition.
- **Mental Health Awareness:** A mental health resource person will be made available on call to assist players dealing with anxiety, stress, or performance-related concerns. Confidentiality shall be maintained at all time.
- **Education Sessions:** Workshops on sportsmanship, anti-doping, ethics, and wellness will be scheduled throughout the season. Attendance is mandatory for all players and team officials.
- **Respect for All:** All participants-players, staff, officials, and spectators-are expected to promote an atmosphere of mutual respect. Discriminatory remarks, gestures, or behavior will not be tolerated under any circumstances.
- **Spirit of the Game:** Beyond the rules lies the true spirit of the game-fairness, fun, and fraternity. DLI believes in nurturing a sporting environment that values effort as much as outcome.

FAN CODE OF CONDUCT

- Spectators must adhere to dignity and sportsmanship at all time.
- Abusive chants, discriminatory remarks, or any physical altercation will lead to removal from the venue.
- Fans must respect players, officials, and opposing team supporters.
- Possession of banned items (weapons, alcohol, drugs, fireworks) inside the ground is strictly prohibited.

EQUIPMENT STANDARDS

- **Ball:** Standard tennis ball, pressure-tested and DLI-approved. No tape modifications unless pre-approved.
- **Bats:** Any commercially available cricket bat suitable for tennis-ball cricket
- **Protective Gear:** Gloves, abdomen guard, and optional helmets. Gloves and pads will be optional for a player on the field.
- **Uniform:** Each team must wear standardized team jerseys with printed names and numbers.

- Each venue must have a first-aid kit and a designated medical contact on call.
- Icy packs, bandages, antiseptics, and hydration salts to be kept ready.
- Ambulance or emergency transport arrangement must be in place for high-stake matches or playoffs.
- All injuries must be logged in the official Injury Report maintained by the Match Referee.

SECURITY & EMERGENCY PROTOCOLS

- Ground must be secured with entry/exit control to ensure safety of players and fans.
- In case of any emergency (weather, medical, crowd trouble), Match Referee in consultation with local authorities can suspend or abandon the match.
- Evacuation plans and fire safety compliance must be ensured by the venue management.
- All suspicious behavior must be reported immediately to league officials.

MATCH OPERATIONS MANUAL

The Match Operations Manual is an essential component of this Rulebook, designed to ensure seamless execution and uniformity of standards across all fixtures under the Dream League of India (DLI). It serves as a step-by-step guide for venue preparation, match day procedures, and stakeholder responsibilities for DLI, and the Zonal tournament.

A. Pre-Match Operations

- Ground inspection and pitch preparation must be completed at least 2 hours before scheduled start.
- Match officials to receive a checklist and game brief from the Venue Coordinator.
- Team kits, stumps, match balls, and scorekeeping equipment must be in place 45 minutes before the toss.
- Match Referee to ensure team sheets and Playing XIs are submitted on time.

B. Match Execution Protocol

- Match to begin punctually as per schedule.
- Scoring must be recorded live on the DLI app and verified by both umpires.
- Drinks break permitted only with Match Referee approval.
- All umpires must wear DLI-approved uniforms and carry necessary signaling tools.

C. Post-Match Procedures

- Match officials to complete and submit the official match report within 1 hour of game conclusion.
- Teams must clear dugout areas and submit feedback to the Venue Coordinator, if required.
- Highlight clips and scorecards to be uploaded to the official DLI platform within 3 hours.
- Any disciplinary issues or injury reports to be routed immediately to the League Office.

D. Roles and Responsibilities

- **Venue Coordinator:** Responsible for logistical preparedness and operational readiness.
- **Match Referee:** Custodian of rule enforcement and conduct oversight.
- **Umpires:** Adjudicate the match in accordance with DLI guidelines.
- **Team Manager:** Ensure compliance with team protocols and timely communication with league authorities.

TRIALS OPERATIONS MANUAL

1. OBJECTIVE

The DLI Trials Operations Manual is designed to ensure a transparent, standardized, and professionally conducted selection process to identify talent for the Dream League of India. This document outlines protocols for organizing, managing, and evaluating player trials.

2. SCOPE



This manual applies to:

- DLI Organizing Committee
- Zonal and City Franchise Representatives
- Coaches, Selectors & Scouts
- Players registered for trials
- Support Staff & Match Officials

3. PRE-TRIAL PREPARATIONS

3.1 Venue Setup

- Use standardized DLI-approved field dimensions (as per DLI Ground Layout)
- Clearly mark pitch, boundary, dugout zones, scorer's table, and observation deck
- Ensure PA system, first-aid, water stations, and shade structures are in place
- Adequate branding at the venue as per DLI guidelines

3.2 Equipment & Logistics

- Adequate supply of DLI tennis balls
- Marked bibs/jerseys for players with registration numbers
- Score sheets, trial evaluation forms, cones, wickets, and stopwatches

3.3 Registration & Documents

- Players must register online or on-spot (if slots remain)
- Submit valid age and ID proof
- Receive registration number and group assignment

4. CONDUCT OF TRIALS

4.1 format

Skill Evaluation Rounds for Under 18 (13 and above) & Seniors (18-45)

- T10 format will be applied for Trials
- There will be qualification rounds in the Trials depending on performance of the individuals in these rounds
- Qualifying rounds will be decided on the number of registrations - the number of qualification rounds will depend on the total number of registrations for a place
- Batting - At a time a batsman will be provided a maximum of 6-ball session; number of 14 runs scored will be the criteria for shortlisting
- Bowling - If the bowler can dismiss the batsman or prevent him from scoring the target runs, he will be considered shortlisted for the next round
- Wicket-keeping -The selection panel at the venue will shortlist the wicketkeeper in the Trials

Rules for batsman:

- Batsman need to Score 14 Runs in 6 legitimate balls to qualify per qualifying round
- Length of the boundary mark from batting crease 55-60 yards (54.864 meters)
- 30 yards circle
- Live Recording of wicket
- Scoring will be done
- At one time 3 Batters will bat to save time as fast bowler goes back for his run up other bowler will bowl the ball and other batter will bat so it can be can save time and expediate the things.
- Rule for batter – If he is out, he is disqualified and bowler will qualify
- Wide ball runs, no ball runs will not be counted in batsman and he will get the free hit on a No-ball
- It may be noted that the measurement and dimensions of ground may vary as per the availability of the ground at the time of planning and organizing the Trials. The organizing committee has absolute right to amend the measurement of the ground as per availability and inform all the players verbally prior to their trials.

Rules for bowler:

- All wide balls, no ball runs will be counted in bowlers' account.
- On no ball free hit will be given
- Byes will not be counted in bowler or batsman score and leg bye will go in batsman account not in bowler account.
- A bowler will be disqualified for bowling 3 wide balls in 6 balls
- A bowler will be disqualified for bowling 3 no balls in 6 balls
- On Tie both batsman and bowler will qualify for the next round

5. SELECTION CRITERIA

Selections are made based on:

- Skill performance
- An aspiring player can register unlimited number of times, but he will be entitled to participate in only 1 Trial per each Registration

5.1 SELECTORS PANEL

Each trial center must have:

- 1 Head Selector (appointed by DLI)
- 1 State Coordinator/1 District Coordinator
- 1 Statistician/Recorder/Online scoring app

6. CODE OF CONDUCT



All participants must:

- Adhere to instructions from DLI officials
- Display sportsmanship and respect to peers and selectors
- Avoid altercations, misuse of language, or any misconduct

Violation may lead to:

- Immediate disqualification
- Blacklisting from the current and future DLI events

7. MEDICAL & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

- First-aid personnel and ambulance (recommended for larger trials)
- Ice packs, hydration zones
- Pre-trial stretching and warm-up sessions

8. POST-TRIAL PROCESS

8.1 RESULT ANNOUNCEMENT

- Preliminary results to be declared within one week on official DLI channels
- Selected players receive email/SMS confirmation

8.2 NEXT STEPS

- Shortlisted players will be in the list of DLI Auction
- Background check (age, ID, sports ethics)

9. RECORDS & REPORTING

Every trial session to be documented with:

- Attendance sheet
- Individual performance scores
- Selector's remarks
- Reports submitted digitally to DLI Central Operations

10. MEDIA & PUBLICITY

- Media must take permission from DLI Media Manager before coverage
- Selected photos/videos may be shared post-approval
- No player may give media statements without prior consent

The Dream League of India (DLI) is more than a tournament-it is a national movement to bring structure, visibility, and value to tennis cricket ball. This Rulebook & Match Operations Manual reflects our unwavering commitment to discipline, integrity, and opportunity for every aspiring cricketer.

We believe that excellence begins with clarity and fairness. Whether you are stepping onto the field, managing a franchise, or officiating a match, this manual is your guide to ensuring the DLI stands tall on the pillars of professionalism and purpose.

Let us all uphold the spirit of the game, honor the faith of our supporters, and inspire the next generation with our conduct and character. Together, let us build a league that becomes a benchmark in grassroots sport-not just in India, but across the world.

Play bold. Play fair. Play for the dream.
Dream League of India Organizing Committee

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Match Official Checklist

- Venue inspection and readiness verification
- Toss time adherence
- Player eligibility confirmation
- First-aid kit and safety check
- Match equipment check (stumps, balls, jerseys)
- Scorekeeping mechanism validation
- Weather monitoring update (if applicable)
- Post-match summary and report filing

Appendix B: Player Registration Form

- Full name and recent photograph
- Date of birth and age declaration
- Team affiliation and jersey number
- Emergency contact details
- Aadhar or valid ID proof copy
- Declaration of fitness and no doping history
- Signature of the player and team manager

Appendix C: Anti-Doping Declaration



- Player's name and team
- Acknowledgment of anti-doping policy
- Consent for random testing during the tournament
- Statement confirming non-use of prohibited substances
- Signature of player and guardian (if under 18)
- Date of submission

Appendix D: Incident Report Template

- Match date and venue
- Involved individuals and their team
- Nature of incident (e.g., dissent, injury, misconduct)
- Summary of the incident
- Witnesses (if any)
- Action taken by officials
- Submitted by (name and designation)
- Signature and timestamp

Appendix E: Code of Conduct Undertaking

- Player's full name and team name
- Declaration of understanding and acceptance of DLI's Code of Conduct
- Agreement to uphold the league's values and fair play
- Consent to disciplinary actions in case of breach
- Signature of player and team manager
- Date of submission

IMPORTANT: This document serves as the official charter of the Dream League of India (DLI) and shall be the authoritative reference for all aspects of league governance, match operations, and stakeholder responsibilities. The DLI Management reserves the right to amend or update provisions as necessary to ensure the smooth conduct of the Dream League of India tournament, zonal tournaments, and player trials-particularly in cases where standard ground-specific measurements are unavailable.

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