



CRICKET NAMIBIA TRIAL STRUCTURE, NATIONAL TOURNAMENTS 2020 and
U/19 WORLD CUP QUALIFIERS 2021

Background:

Our engagement with 39 schools during our roadshow in November and the clear feedback from our parent's survey in January could not express with more certainty that Cricket Namibia had to review our trial system. We also clearly identified the need for a National competition to increase strengths versus strength playing opportunities for the top players. This resulted in the below structure:

Cricket Namibia National Week: (All learners of any school, irrespective of citizenship)

A National Competition to take place in December between the best teams from each of the four main cricket playing regions: North, Coastal, Central and South-East (One central school to play with this region to balance strength). Each school nominate players to attend trials, which will be conducted by the schools committee of that region. All cricket-playing schools have a representative on that committee. The selected 13 players of u/11, u/13, u/16 and u/19 boys as well as u/13 & u/16 girls receive recognition for their selection into these teams. The girls-tournaments will be at the coast with the boys in Windhoek. Dates will be confirmed as soon as schools finalise their exam rosters but should be between 4-11 December. A Schools XI will be selected for every age group based on the performances during the Tournament.

Summary of info:

- National week between four regional teams per age group.
- All learners to participate irrespective of citizenship.
- Players nominated by schools. (Nomination form to be supplied to schools)
- Trials to be conducted by each Regional Committee before the 8th of November.
Trials must include a net session and second round which should include an official match or middle session.
- Tournament tentative dates: 4-11 December (Tournament will be a minimum of four (4) playing days)
- Schools XI to be selected per age group.
- Cost per player: N\$ 1935 (includes 5-nights' accommodation, breakfast and dinner, two playing shirts and a playing cap).
- Cricket Namibia to cover all match expenses and lunches.



Appointment of selectors for Regional Teams:

A minimum of 4 selectors & 1 convener per Region per age group. Each Region appoints selectors on the following criteria:

Minimum Criteria: Sound knowledge of cricket and is part of player pathway as coach or administrator with specific knowledge of age group cricket.

Obligations: Confidentiality of the entire process and attendance to all trial dates. Implementation of correct selection criteria or processes.

This tournament is a strength versus strength structure with teams playing longer format games.

National age-group teams: *Will only be implemented 2021 since CSA has cancelled all their National weeks for the year. (Official teams touring to International tournaments – Namibian Citizens only)*

Structure for 2021:

One National team for u/11, u/13, u/15, u/19 boys and u/19 girls will be selected. Players identified from their performances during the 2020 National Weeks and the regional trials conducted by the regional committees in October 2021. Cricket Namibia to conduct final trials early November. Teams to tour to official CSA Tournaments in December 2021. National colours will be received for this selection.

Selectors to be appointed after a nomination and selection process conducted by the National Schools Committee and Cricket Namibia High Performance program.

U/19 WORLD CUP QUALIFIERS

The ICC u/19 Africa World Cup qualifiers will be in the last quarter of 2021. Players that are eligible to be part of the selection group must be born **after** 1 September 2002 and have a valid Namibian passport. The Regional trials will form part of the first round of identification, from which numerous camps and trials will be implemented to select the final squad. Selection and preparation will follow the below schedule.



U19 Activity Calendar 2020 / 2021		
Date	Action	Responsible Person
Phase 1	Oct 2020 to Dec 2020	
16 th October 2020	Selectors nominated	Schools
28 th October 2020	Trials in all regions	Regional Chairman
2 nd November 2020	Appoint U19 selectors and Convenor	Regional Coaches/Head Coach/u19 Head Coach/Convenor CN
7 th – 10 th December 2020	National week 7-10 December 2020 - Windhoek	CN
Phase 2	Jan – March 2021	
Jan 2021	CN 2nd Round of Trials (48 players) - Windhoek	U19 selectors
February 2021	Selected 28 players	U19 Selectors
March 2021	HP Training / Camps in All Regions Fitness assessments Technical aspect	U19 Head coach/ Coaches
	Ø U19/ Nat Coach to travel to regions	Fortune / Nat Coach
March 2021 (Sat & Sun)	Trials matches (24-28 players) - Windhoek	Fortune/Coaches/ Selectors
Phase 3	April – June 2021	
April 2021	U19 3rd Round of Trials - Windhoek	Fortune & Selectors
	Selected 22 Players	Fortune & Selectors
May 2021 (Sat & Sun)	Inter Squad U19 matches - Windhoek	Fortune & Selectors
June 2021	HP Training in All Regions Camp – Windhoek NUTRITIONAL WORKSHOP TBC	Fortune & Coaches
	U19/ Nat Coach to travel to All Regions	
Phase 4	July – Sept 2021	
July 2021	CN 4 TH Round of Trials - Windhoek	Fortune & Selectors
	Final 14 plus 3 Reserves Selected - Windhoek	Fortune & Selectors
August 2021	HP Camp in WHK (Prep for tour) Wellness workshop TBC	Fortune & Coaches
	Inter Squad Games (Prep for tour)	Fortune
August 2021	Tour to SA	Dee & Fortune



Phase 5	Sept – Oct 2021	
	Final 14 players Selected	CN Selectors
	HP Camps in Whk Anti-doping and match fixing workshop	Fortune & Coaches Dee
September 2021	Inbound tour matches in Windhoek	TBC
	Africa WC Qualifier	TBC

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