

# The Somerset Cricket League Supporting Cricket In Somerset

# **Minimum Standards**

The following provisions are considered to constitute a revised **Minimum Standard** as detailed below:

## 1. Players Changing Rooms

To offer adequate and clean changing facilities within immediate or very close proximity to the playing area.

The SCL makes the minimum requirement in this respect to be an area covered by a portable facility such as a gazebo...

# 2. Toilet Facilities

To be in proper working order and to be either unisex or differentiated where possible, within easy access from the playing area.

To be clean and supplied with a sufficient quantity of paper and with a hand wash facility supplied with soap, clean towels or other acceptable hand-drying facility.

#### 3. Shower Facilities

To be in good working order and to have a dual supply of hot and cold water; ideally bespoke such facilities will be provided for both teams and all appointed match officials where such are present on a match day.

#### 4. Seating / Cover

Adequate seating for the batting side and scorer(s) table must be provided. Temporary, but preferably permanent, shelter for players and scorer(s) to provide protection in cases of extreme weather is requested.

## 5. Tea Interval

To make available at the natural break in any game adequate and sufficient seating for all involved to be able to take tea in a comfortable manner.

#### 6. Access

Clubs to arrange adequate parking which also allows for quick and easy access by emergency vehicles.

#### 7. First Aid Kits

All Clubs must have a First Aid Kit in place at all the venues at which they operate. Kit to meet the minimum requirements of BS 8599.

#### 8. Consideration for Youth Members

Evidence of a Club's attention to its 'Duty of Care' should be available.

The name and contact details of the Club's Welfare Officer (this post is a statutory League requirement) should be clearly displayed and evidence should be available that 'Safe Hands' accreditation has been issued and is currently valid.

#### 9. Pitch Quality

SCL matches should be played on natural grass surfaces that are free from ruts, holes, and divots.

Match play on artificial surfaces is acceptable, but the same quality criteria apply.

If any Club has reason to report deficiencies in respect of any of the above points, then they should email the League Secretary.

The League works closely with the Somerset Cricket Grounds Association and may refer any ground issues to them in order to support improvement.