

TIMING INFORMATION

- The Time Keeper for each team shall be over 14 years.
- Ensure that they sit /stand with the scorers.
- Ensuring when timing breaks/injury they go up to the umpires and advise them when there is 30 seconds to go.
- Ensuring when timing quarters, they are standing behind the umpire with 10 seconds to go.
- When the timer beeps, call “**TIME**” in a loud clear voice.
- Do not count down the last 10 seconds, simply call “**TIME**” when timer beeps.

The home team (white scorecard) shall be responsible for timing the quarters.

- All U8 & U9 teams play 4 x 12 minute quarters.
- All other age divisions play 4 x 15 minute quarters.

The away team (blue scorecard) shall be responsible for timing the breaks/injury.

- The breaks are 3 minutes at quarter and three quarter time, and 5 minutes at half time.
- Injury time as below.

INJURY TIME:

The umpires will hold time for blood when noticed or for injury/illness when requested by an on court player. The player concerned must leave the court within 30 seconds and receive any treatment off the court. Timekeepers are to advise the umpires when 10 seconds remain. Please use common sense when there is an injury: if the player is not able to be moved from the court immediately, play should not resume until it is safe to do so with the injured player’s welfare the first consideration. We have a duty of care to all players on court.

BLOOD POLICY:

An umpire is required to hold time when a player who is bleeding is noticed and no on court player has called time. The umpire shall hold time for 30 seconds and the player concerned must leave the court and receive any treatment off the court. If the blood rule has been imposed, before the play can continue, it must be checked that there is no blood on the ball or on the court – in which case they need to be cleaned. If there is blood on any players’ uniform, they must change their uniform.

PRIMARY CARER:

Each team must have a Primary Care person, preferably with some form of first aid training, however there is no mandatory minimum requirement.

The primary care person has a duty of care to respond appropriately in the case of injury/illness, however this does not imply the need to be an expert.