BYLAWS CHANGES 2017-18 SEASON

1) **D1. LAWS OF CRICKET TO APPLY**
   Change – Add following clause to D1 as point (d)
   (d) In the Limited Over Competition the coin toss must take place at a minimum 15 minutes prior to the scheduled commencement of play irrespective of the captains presence. Failure to do so will result in a fine not exceeding $100

2) **B9. TO DETERMINE POSITION ON AVERAGES**
   Change – add another clause (B9 (2) that covers two day comp
   In the event of two or more teams gaining the same number of points in the two day competition, their relative position shall be determined with the following system adopted:
   In-season result will be used to break ties between teams, if this result is a draw then B9 (1) will apply. On the occasion where the in-season results in two matches played during the minor round and one win apiece is recorded, their relative position shall be determined by the team that received the greater combined number of match points. If teams are still unable to be separated then the team that has accumulated the greater number of match bonus points over those matches will be declared as the higher ranked team.

3) **C5. QUALIFICATIONS FOR SEMI-FINAL AND FINAL (MAJOR ROUND) MATCHES**
   Change to Junior Qualification for Finals
   (b) To work out if a U/17 junior requires a permit as a result of playing matches in the SACA 1st grade competition the following criteria will apply:
   (1) In respect to a player who has played 4 or more matches in the SACA 1st grade competition a permit will be required.
   (2) In granting a permit the association will take into account how many ATCA junior games they have played. It will be the sole responsibility of the association in determining if the club has applied the spirit of cricket in qualifying players playing in the SACA 1st grade competition
   (3) Where any junior player is faced with the possibility of participating in a SACA match which clashes with the ATCA junior finals, such player can only represent one association on that weekend.

4) **C5. (4) QUALIFICATIONS FOR SEMI-FINAL AND FINAL (MAJOR ROUND) MATCHES**
   Amend by clarifying below clause is for the purpose of C5 (4) only
   For the purpose of C5 (4) two Limited Overs Competition matches equal one Two Day Competition match.

5) **C5. (11) QUALIFICATIONS FOR SEMI-FINAL AND FINAL (MAJOR ROUND) MATCHES**
   Change
   Reference should be C2 (1) (B)

6) **D3. (b) PLAYING HOURS - TWO DAY MATCHES**
   (1) Change
   U17 tea break amended to 3.05 to 3.25

   (2) Change
   If lost time means no play takes place within 30 minutes of the scheduled tea adjournment, then no tea adjournment shall be taken

7) **D3. PLAYING HOURS - TWO DAY MATCHES**
   Change – D3 (b) (Note)
   Re-ordering of Laws of Cricket means Law 15.8 is now Law 11.7

8) **D8. PRESCRIBED NUMBER OF OVERS – PENALTIES**
   Current Bylaw
   Play shall continue until the quota has been bowled except when other conditions of this By-Law apply.
   The penalty shall also apply on the second day when the team batting second is entitled to receive a quota of overs.

   Change
   Change to say “other conditions of these bylaws specifically D9 and D19 apply”
9) D19.2.(d) BATTING TIMES - ONE DAY MATCHES - JUNIOR GRADES
Change
Delete D19 (2) (i) and replace with following
(i) Play will be abandoned if the match has not commenced by 1.50pm for U15 competition or 2.20pm for U17 competition, but where play has been undertaken a minimum requirement of the team batting first in order to constitute a match is twenty five (25) overs. The minimum requirement can take the form of the team batting first being dismissed prior to the completion of twenty five (25) overs or a declaration upon reaching that requirement.

10) D19 (2). BATTING TIMES - ONE DAY MATCHES - JUNIOR GRADES
Change
a) Change D19 (2) (b) – U17 number of overs for one day game from 42 to 40 overs
b) Change D4 (b) - U17 One Day Start time for U17 from 12.15 to 12.30
c) Change D19 (5) (g) – U17 One Day number of overs from 9 to 8 overs per bowler

11) D19 (3) and (5) Bowling Restrictions U15 and U17
Change
Add clause to D19 (2)
Where lost time results in the match played under reduced overs, no bowler may bowl more than 1/5th of the overs. Should 1/5th of the overs not result in a whole number for each bowler, round up or down to reach the required number of overs per bowler?

12) D20. BOUNDARIES
Change by deleting current wording and adding below clause
All scheduled two day games must have as a minimum boundaries defined by a continuous or dotted line further defined by markers or flags. Any breach of this clause will result in a fine not exceeding $100
Where there is no white line or object providing continuous marking, objects such as flags, posts or boards may be used to mark specific points on the boundary. The boundary shall be the imaginary straight line on the ground joining the two nearest marked points.

13) D23. SUBSTITUTES
Change
• Change Bylaw Heading - Fielder’s Absence; Substitutes
• Add the following: Laws of Cricket 24.1 applies in full

14) D26. BOWLING OF FAST SHORT PITCHED BALLS
• Replace bylaw heading with - Bowling of Dangerous and Unfair Non-Pitching Deliveries
Change by replacing current wording with the following clause
The Laws of Cricket at 41.7.1 and 41.7.2 shall be extended to include a second and final warning in all Grades of the ATCA Competition with the exception of Grades A1 to A3 and the Senior MensT20 Competition.
Note
The umpire is too adopt a common sense approach when applying this Bylaw in that any delivery which passes well wide of the batsman or clearly over the batsman head so that he is unable to play a proper cricket shot and therefore unlikely by its nature to inflict physical injury shall not be deemed as falling within the parameters of this Bylaw.

15) D32 PLAYER BEHAVIOUR (this Bylaw acts in lieu of Law 42 of the Laws of Cricket)
1) If during the course of a game an umpire/s feels that a player/s or team is acting in a manner in breach of the Spirit of the Game or the ATCA’s Code of Conduct as spelt out in part below, he/she shall take the following actions
Offences Deemed Unacceptable Conduct
• Showing dissent at an umpire’s decision by word or action
• Using language that, in the circumstances, is obscene, offensive or insulting whether directed towards another player, umpire, team official or spectator or not
• Making an obscene gesture whether directed towards another player, umpire, team official or spectator or not
• Making inappropriate and deliberate physical contact with another player
• Appealing excessively or advancing towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing
• Intimidate an umpire by language or gesture
• Threatening to assault a player, umpire, official or spectator
• Any other misconduct, the nature of which is covered under the ATCA’s Code of Conduct Guidelines
Action by Umpires
a) If either umpire considers that the conduct of a player, at any time during the match, is unacceptable, the umpire concerned shall call and signal
Dead Ball. This call may be delayed until the umpire is satisfied that it will not disadvantage the non-offending side.

b) The umpire concerned shall then call time and together with his colleague (if applicable) decide whether misconduct has occurred and the level of the offending.

c) Together the umpires shall inform the offending player and his captain, in the case of a batsman the other batsman can depulse for the captain, if they deem that an offence has occurred and the manner in which it is being treated.

(i) An official first and final warning now applies

(ii) A first and final warning along with an official report now applies.

d) The issuing of a first and final warning shall apply to all members of the team for the remainder of the match.

e) If the umpires after imposing a first and final warning upon a team deem that further misconduct offences have occurred they shall adopt the procedure outlined above and award 5 penalty runs to the opposition team in every instance.

f) As soon as practicable after each occurrence the umpires shall call play

g) When a 5 run penalty has been awarded to the fielding side they shall be added as penalty extras to that side’s total of runs in its most recently completed innings.

h) When a 5 run penalty is awarded to the batting side then they shall be scored as penalty extras and shall be in addition to any other penalties.

They shall not be credited to the batsman.

i) If the fielding side has not completed an innings the 5 penalty runs shall be added to its next innings.

j) The umpires are required to report each occurrence of a warning being applied to the Association.

The umpires together shall report all occurrences of warnings issued under this Bylaw, whether subject to an official report or not, as soon as possible after the match to the Executive Officer. This Bylaw also now has the effect of placing the onus upon the umpires to officially notify the offending player and his Captain at the actual time of the offence that an official report has been laid.

2) The umpires must maintain a record of all such warnings and on each occasion such a warning is noted, notify the Executive Officer (or delegate) of the ATCA who will in turn notify the Secretary of the Club for which the player participates.

(i) Should a player be officially reported for an offence of similar kind to those encompassed by this Bylaw and subsequently found guilty by a Commissioner, the Executive Officer (or delegate) must inform the Commissioner of any recorded warnings still current against the player concerned.

(ii) Should the number of such warnings given to players in a Club, over all Grades, exceed 3 in any one season; the Club shall be fined $50.00 for each warning over 3.

(iii) Warnings will remain current for two seasons after which they shall be annulled.

THE ABOVE REWRITE OF BYLAW D32 WILL MEAN D33 IS NOW OBSOLETE

16) D35 PLAYERS ABSENT AT COMMENCEMENT OF INNINGS – A1 PREMIER TO A3 ONLY

Change – Delete current wording and replace with following

This is an addendum to Law 24 and Law 25 in that if a player is absent from the ground at either the commencement or resumption of his side’s innings and is not subject to any application of Law 24.2 (fielder absent or leaving the field of play) or Law 25.3 the umpire or opposing captain shall be informed of the reason for his absence.

He shall not be recorded as being present until the umpire and opposing captain have been advised of his arrival.

He shall not be permitted to bat for at least the length of playing time for which he was absent up to a maximum of 90 minutes or even if the unserved penalty time has not expired, that player may bat after his/her side has lost 5 wickets.

If a batsman is unable to commence his innings as a consequence of the implementation of this by-law his innings is to be recorded as “Retired - not out”.

17) E5 SUSPENSION OF PLAYERS

Change – Add following clause to E5

(d) If during the period of the suspension the team for whom the player was playing when he/she received the suspension is subject to a bye for a designated round that bye does not count towards the serving of the penalty unless determined otherwise by the CEP/Commissioner

18) PART G - SECTION 2: PENALTIES

Change

Set apart penalties relevant to all 3 senior competitions

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19) PART G - SECTION 2: PENALTIES

Change Section 2 (1) (i)

To remove the section where the CEP/Commissioner was unable to suspend player from serving at least a one match game penalty.
Change Section 2 (1) (v)
Clause 1 (v) changed to allow match points penalties to be applied across the whole club upon the third instance of a player from the same club being subject to a guilty finding during the current season. That additional penalty, as well as being applied to its entirety to the team for which the offending player played, will be also applied up to a maximum of 5 Match Points, equally across all the clubs other teams participating in all designated ATCA Competitions. For the purposes of this Bylaw the Senior and Junior competitions shall be regarded as separate standalone competitions.

20) WIDE CALLS FOR ONE DAY GAME FOR ALL SENIOR GRADES
WIDE BALL - Judging a Wide – Add the below clauses to

D9 (2) (f) - BATTING TIMES - ONE DAY MATCHES – A1 PREMIER GRADE TO A3 GRADE
D9. (4) (k) - BATTING TIMES - ONE DAY MATCHES - OTHER TWO DAY GRADES (B1 to C3)
D30 (c) (v) - LIMITED OVERS COMPETITION- PLAYING CONDITIONS

iii. In relation to the off-side any delivery outside the Off Side Wide Line, provided he/she maintains a normal batting position and has not brought the ball within reach, shall be called a wide.
iv. Any delivery that passes outside the return crease will automatically be called a wide.

21) D29 (8) ATCA TWENTY/20 PLAYING CONDITIONS
D29 (8) Wide Balls
Add the below clauses to
A leg side wide shall not be called where the ball passes between the striker and the stumps.

22) REMARKING OF PITCH
Change – Add below clause to Bylaw D1
Where sub junior or school games are played on a wicket that is then used for any scheduled afternoon match the clubs need to have the ability to remark the front crease line if so directed by the umpire or face a fine not exceeding $100.

23) UMPIRES PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT
Change - Add to PART F. EXPERIMENTAL AND CRICKET AUSTRALIA LAWS
Umpires shall have the option of wearing any recognised sporting protective equipment that would reduce the chance of injury to any part of his/her body.

24) Add Following clause to Bylaw B11 and B12
On Day 1 of either a Semi-Final or Grand Final match, where both umpires and captains are in agreement that a result can be reached by extending the playing hours by no more than 30 minutes, then play can continue in order to achieve that result.

25) D29 (12) ATCA TWENTY/20 PLAYING CONDITIONS
Change - D 29 12 (d)
A maximum of 2 guest players are allowed to play in any Division 1 Team. For all the other remaining Divisions only 1 guest player is allowed. A guest player is defined as someone who in the current or preceding season was or is registered with the SACA or any club or association within Australia who pursuant to Bylaw C 2.2 (a) would require a Dual Registration in order to play for the ATCA club. No guest player is qualified to play in finals commencing with the Round of 16, unless they have played at least one minor round match with the qualified team.

26) D33 USE OF HELMETS – SENIOR COMPETITION
In the ATCA Senior competition it’s strongly recommended that all players, especially taking into account their respective abilities, when batting against fast or medium paced bowling wear a helmet. The onus is placed on both the club and the respective batting Captains to ensure that such serious consideration is given to the wearing of the helmet in the circumstances described above.

Note:
Helmets are mandatory for all junior club cricketers (17 years and younger), whether batting in the junior or senior cricket competitions. They must also be worn when juniors are wicket keeping up to the stumps.