



BRACKENFELL ACTION SPORTS

ACTION CRICKET WINTER LEAGUE 2026

MENS, MIXED, LADIES & JUNIORS



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INFORMATION BOOKLET





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ESTIMATED DATES FOR THE WINTER 2026 LEAGUE

Starting on the 13th of July 2026, the season will run a 10 week league schedule with Prelims Starting on the 28th of September 2026 and ultimately concluding with Grand Finals set to take place on 17 October 2026.

DATES	ROUND
13 JULY – 17 JULY 2026	INITIAL GRADING
20 JULY – 24 JULY 2026	WEEK 1
27 JULY – 31 JULY 2026	WEEK 2
3 AUGUSTUS – 7 AUGUST 2026	WEEK 3
LEAGUE REGRADE	
10 AUGUST – 14 AUGUST 2026	WEEK 4
17 AUGUST – 21 AUGUST 2026	WEEK 5
24 AUGUST – 28 AUGUST 2026	WEEK 6
31 AUGUST – 4 SEPTEMBER 2026	WEEK 7
7 SEPTEMBER – 11 SEPTEMBER 2026	WEEK 8
14 SEPTEMBER – 18 SEPTEMBER 2026	WEEK 9
21 SEPTEMBER – 25 SEPTEMBER 2026	WEEK 10
28 SEPTEMBER – 2 OCTOBER 2026	CATCH UP WEEK
5 OCTOBER – 9 OCTOBER 2026	PRE-LIMS
12 OCTOBER – 16 OCTOBER	SEMI FINALS
18 OCTOBER 2026	GRAND FINALS

ESTIMATED COSTS FOR THE MENS/MIXED LEAGUE

COST PER MATCH	R 880 / R768
Cost per player, per match	R 110 / R96
Registration (to be paid by the 3 rd game)	R 880 / R750
Grading Match	R 880 / R768
10 League Games	R 8 800 / R7680
Prelims, Semi-Finals and Finals (possible 3 games)	R 2 640 / R2304
TOTAL COST:	R 13 200 / R11 502



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MATCH DAYS AND TIMESLOTS

Games take place on **Monday, Thursday & Friday** nights from 18:10 to 22:10 (start of last game). Finals will be on Sunday 18 OCTOBER 2026 from 09:30am onwards.

Leagues are divided into each day as follows:

Monday: C1 – D2

Thursday: B1 – B4

Friday: Mixed league

Should all available slots be filled and additional teams remain on the fixture list, D League fixtures may be moved between playing days to accommodate for all games to be played.

Forfeit / Cancellations after fixtures have been sent out:

Due to limited time and court availability, teams unable to play or commit to their scheduled fixtures will be required to forfeit their game for that week. While we will always do our best to accommodate special requests, we need to be strict to ensure fairness to all parties involved. **Teams are allowed to forfeit a maximum of one fixture per season without financial implications.** Once a team has forfeited 2 or more games, they will be liable for the full court fees of R1760 for each additional forfeited match. Teams that repeatedly forfeit their matches may be removed from the league, and the team will be liable for the full season cost. If a team has a special request, they must notify us via WhatsApp by Wednesday before the fixtures for that week are sent out. Once the fixtures have been finalized and distributed, no changes can be made. **All cancellations/forfeits from week 1 onwards will result in all points being awarded to the opposition team.**

Each team will be required to play a **minimum of two (2) and a maximum of three (3) matches scheduled at 22:10** during the regular season, as well as a **minimum of three (3) and a maximum of three (3) matches scheduled at 18:10** (excluding preliminary rounds, semi-finals, and finals). Only matches played at their originally scheduled times of 18:10 or 22:10 will count toward these requirements. If a match is rescheduled to a different time slot, it will not be considered as having been played at its original scheduled time. This requirement does not apply to the B1 League, as it is the premier division of the competition. To maintain the integrity and competitiveness of the league, B1 fixtures are scheduled primarily during peak evening times to ensure the highest standard of competition, maximise spectator attendance, and provide a consistent playing environment for the division's top teams.



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MENS LEAGUE PLAYER QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES:

Qualifications for Main Division:

To qualify for Prelims, semi-finals and the Grand final, a player must play at least three (3) league matches for a specific team during the 10 week league season (**excluding grading**). Qualification is mandatory for all players. The highest ranked team for which a player first reaches three (3) appearances, becomes that player's main division team. A player may only register and qualify for one main team per season. Once qualified, a player may compete up to two divisions above or two divisions below their Main Division. **For example**, a player who qualifies in C1 may play in any division from C3 to B3. A player's qualified division is determined by the first team for which they play three (3) games (excluding the grading fixture).

Any team found guilty of fielding unqualified or ineligible players shall incur a penalty of three (3) log points, which will be deducted from their total points after the match in question if this was not arranged with the opposing team.

Player shortage:

If a team is short on players for an upcoming fixture, the captain may request assistance through the dedicated Filler Group or ask the arena to help arrange suitable replacement players. With nearly 200 members as of June 2026, the Filler Group is an excellent resource for ensuring your team has enough players available for every game. If no effort is made to fill the team, the game will be forfeited. There are enough resources available to fill a team.

Team clashes:

Upon completing the entry form, each team will have the opportunity to nominate one team they would prefer not to clash with during league fixtures. Every effort will be made to accommodate these requests when compiling the schedule. This will help us avoid unnecessary scheduling conflicts and ensure a smoother league experience for everyone.

A clash request will only be approved if at least three (3) players are registered with both teams and the teams compete within two league divisions of one another. The two teams may not compete in the same league, as players are not permitted to represent more than one team within the same division.



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Runners:

Runners are not permitted except for players with a permanent disability. Runners must be in uniform, wear 2 gloves and carry a bat. Runners must stand with the entirety of their body behind the batting crease in Zone A to the legside of the striker until the strikers have either played at the ball or the ball has passed the batting crease. If this rule is infringed, no runs will be awarded, and the batter will be penalized 5 runs for unfair play. After playing the ball, the batter with a permanent disability should make a reasonable effort to prevent any obstruction with the fielders.

In the case of an injury, no runner will be allowed, and the injured player should be substituted with another player.

Late start and time penalty:

At Brackenfell Action Sports, we pride ourselves on starting our fixtures on time as scheduled.

- Late start: A 5-minute grace period will be allowed. Thereafter, a penalty of -6 runs will be applied from the team's total for each minute late beyond the initial 5-minute grace period.

- Time penalty: Each team is allocated 34 minutes per inning. For every minute overtime, a penalty of -6 runs per minute will be applied.

Umpire abuse:

Umpire abuse will be regarded as a serious breach of the Brackenfell Action Sports Code of Conduct. Any form of abuse directed towards an umpire, whether verbal, physical, or otherwise, will not be tolerated and may result in disciplinary action, including suspension or expulsion from the league and/or venue.



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MIXED LEAGUE CRICKET – OFFICIAL GUIDELINES & DIRECTIVES

These rules and guidelines are set in place to ensure fairness, consistency, and player safety across all divisions of Mixed League Cricket. All players, captains, and umpires are expected to adhere to these regulations in the spirit of the game.

1. PLAYER QUALIFICATION GUIDELINES

Male Players:

- **B League players** may only participate in the **Mixed 01 League**.
- **C League and D League players** may only participate in the **Mixed 02 League**.

Any team found guilty of fielding unqualified or ineligible players shall incur a penalty of three (3) log points, which will be deducted from their total points after the match in question if this was not arranged with the opposing team. This is stated in the info pack.

- A player may assist another team within the same league **only** if the opposing captain grants approval.
- **A player may not participate in two different teams during any stage of the league.**
- The **first three games** that a male player participates in will count towards their qualification if they qualify to play within the specific division.

Female Players:

- Female players may **not** play for more than one team in a mixed league. (A player may assist another team within the same league **only** if the opposing captain grants approval.)
- Each female player must qualify either for **Mixed 01** or **Mixed 02**.
- **No female player may play for a Mixed 01 or Mixed 02 team at any stage during the league.**
- The **first three games** that a female player participates in will count towards their qualification.



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Payment of Fees

No team will be permitted to participate in the finals unless all game fees have been paid in full. A full breakdown of any outstanding fees may be requested from the arena. Any player with three (3) or more outstanding game fees, **whether incurred through a single team or multiple teams**, will not be permitted to play until all outstanding fees have been settled in full. **Any team with outstanding fees will be ineligible to participate in the knockout rounds or Grand Final until all outstanding amounts have been paid.**

POINTS SYSTEM ACROSS MEN'S AND MIXED LEAGUE

Points are allocated as follows:

- 10 points for paying registration fee of R880.
- 1 point per skin won
- 1 point for same shirts. Either the same colour, or the same team logo on each shirt.
- 4 points for a win
- 2 points for a draw
- 11 points if the opposition forfeits a game.
- 2 Points for full payment **and** signature on the night of your fixture.

In previous seasons, players were required to sign in before each game. This is no longer necessary. Your payment and signature now serve as your acknowledgment and agreement to participate and will be considered your official signature.

Withdrawal from the season:

If your team withdraws from the league after the regrade (week 03 in the league), your team will be held liable for the full season's remaining game fees and may be barred from entering for a future league/competition.

New to the season!

Starting this season, **all leagues (B1- Mix 02)** are to be played under -5 rules and the new and exciting 2nd Ball rule.

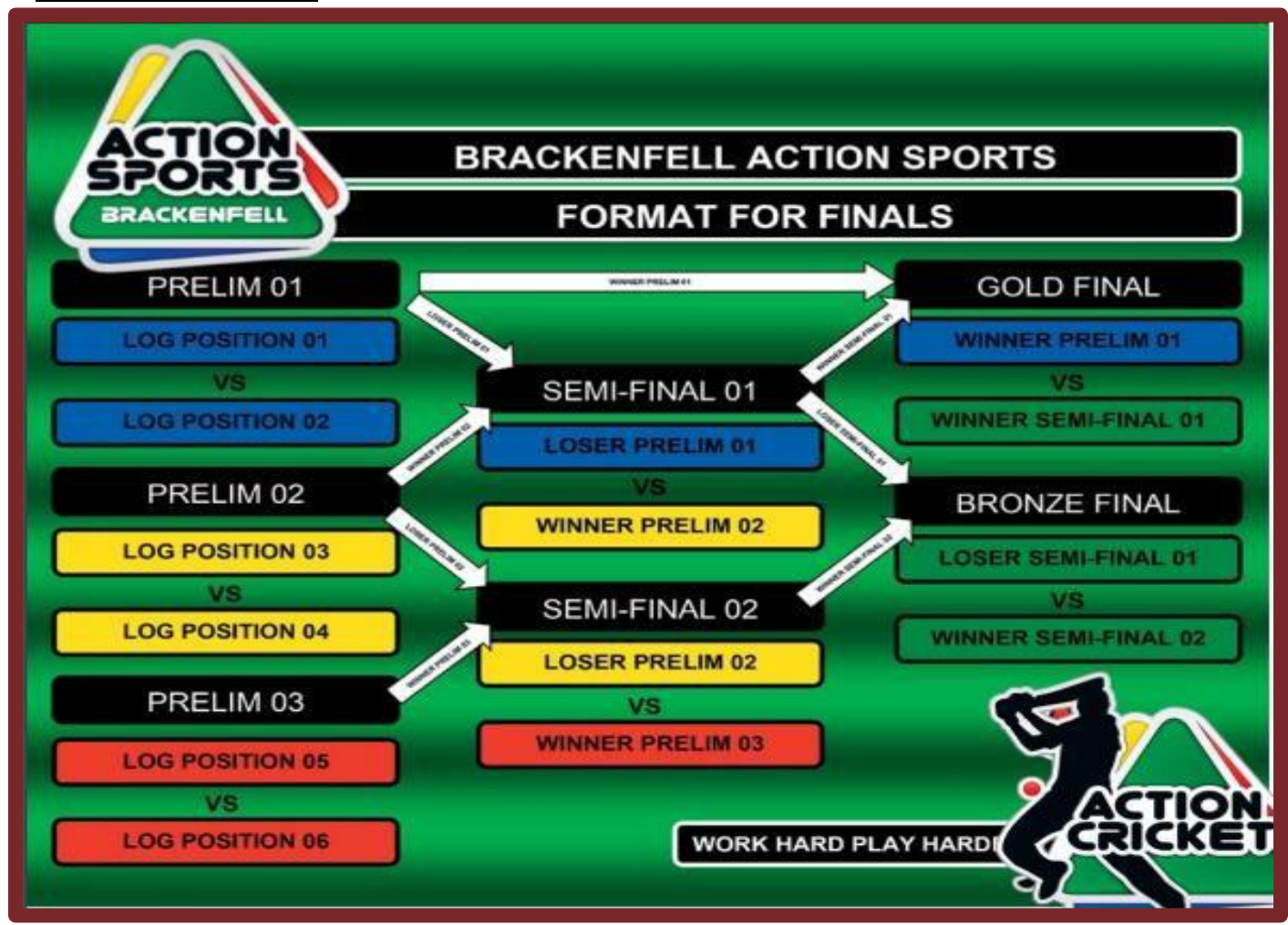


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FORMAT FOR FINALS





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At Brackenfell Action Sports, we live by the motto:
“MORE THAN SPORT—IT’S FAMILY IN ACTION.”

This sense of family is only possible with the ongoing support of players, teammates, and supporters like you. Our door is always open, and we value your thoughts and feedback. Please don’t hesitate to pop in for a chat. Your input helps us grow stronger together! Let’s make this season one to remem



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