

BMM Cricket League (BCL) – The Regional Championship & The World Series

The Mandal Championship and The Regional Championship:

- Each Mandal can have as many Cricket teams (separate teams for Men as well as Women).
- Each team can have up to 15 players and a team player MUST be a local Mandal member.
- Once assigned to a Team, the player will not be able to switch the team for that season.
- Mandal might charge a registration fee to cover the playground and basic expenses.
- Each team can raise funds or secure sponsorship to cover their expenses (optional).
- Each Team can print their uniforms with a sponsor, Mandal, and BMM's logo (optional).
- Rules will be set prior to the tournament that all Mandal's teams will follow.
- Each Mandal will conduct internal matches at their convenience during the defined time slot. This will involve having matches by the round-robin method or by creating brackets.
- Top 2 teams from each Mandals will go to Regional Tournament (Region is defined as a 250-300-mile radius or up to 4-5 hour driving distance) (Please refer to Appendix A).
- Regional Tournaments will be a 2-day event (weekend) with 4 Quarter Finals on the first day and 2 Semi-Finals & Final on the second day - the only time when teams will travel.
- For internal matches, referees will be from local Mandals, and for Regional matches, referees will be from non-playing Mandals. There will be only 2 referees per match.
- In unique scenarios, generally acceptable league rules will be referred to and the match referee's decision will be considered final. Video recording will not be used for decisions.
- All matches will be played with a Hard Tennis ball (Nivia) & on a turf/curated pitch (TBD).
- All matches will be of 12-overs and Regional Championship will be a 15-overs match.
- All Players can continue to play in their respective leagues, but on a free weekend, they can gather and practice in their Mandal team(s) (This is just like European Soccer Leagues like English Premier League or LaLiga, where players from all around the world are involved, but in between they go back to their home countries to play for their National teams).
- Sportsmanship & Respect are the key values that we want to emphasize in this tournament.
- The player will be responsible for any injury as a result of an accident during play or transportation. Local Mandal or BMM will not be responsible for any injury incurred to a player. The local Mandal is responsible to get a liability waiver from each player.
- It is expected that each Mandal will have teams that are similar in strength before the start of the tournament. This is to encourage maximum participation from athletes, as each team will have a chance to win the match on any given day.
- We will use the '[Cricclubs](#)' public portal to track all the teams as well as players.
- Regional Tournament winner will be declared in 'BMM *Vrutta*'.
- BMM can award a Trophy to the Regional Tournament winner during the BMM Convention.

Women Cricket Teams: The only differences are matches will be of 10 overs, throw-arm bowling is allowed, boundary distance will be smaller and the minimum number of players could be 8 if required.

Miscellaneous items:

- This tournament is for adults only (18 years >) with some exceptions for 16 years athletes.
- If there is sufficient interest, then we can encourage a Cricket tournament for "Under 18" with kids between 15 to 18 years who can participate.

Canadian Cricket Teams:

- These teams can be part of the World Series, as long as all the players on the team have visas to enter the US, otherwise these teams can play only Regional Championship in Canada.

Approximate timeline: (Please discuss this within your region as it will vary due to local weather conditions)

Suggested Milestone Items (Teams can edit these items & timelines)	Timeline (Southern States)
Communication about BMM Cricket Tournament	Till Feb 2023
Send BMM Registration link and arrange a Web Meet up for Q&A	Till Feb 2023
Gathering on a nearby playground – Meet-Greet & Practice	Last week of Feb (2/25-2/26)
Team formations	By Spring Break 3/19/2023
Friendly Matches (2-3 weekends)	From 3/25/2023-4/09/2023
Finalizing Tournament format, dates	By 4/09/2023
Inter/Intra-Mandal Tournaments (4-5 weekends)	4/15/2023-5/14/2023
Mandal Championship (Top 2 Teams)	5/21/2023
Regional Championship (Memorial Weekend)	5/27/2023 & 5/28/2023

Suggested Milestone Items (Teams can edit these items & timelines)	Timeline (Northern States)
Communication about BMM Cricket Tournament	Till Mar 2023
Send BMM Registration link and arrange a Web Meet up for Q&A	Till Mar 2023
Gathering on a nearby playground – Meet-Greet & Practice	4/01-4/02
Team formations	By 4/23
Friendly Matches (2-3 weekends)	From 4/29/2023-5/14/2023
Finalizing Tournament format, dates	By 5/14/2023
Inter/Intra-Mandal Tournaments (4-5 weekends)	5/20/2023-6/18/2023
Mandal Championship (Top 2 Teams)	6/25/2023
Regional Championship	7/08/2023 & 7/09/2023

The World Series (if Canadian Teams are participating) or The National Championship:

- All rules of the Regional Championship are applicable to the World Series matches.
- Minimum 4 Regional winners will be required to have the World Series.
- All World Series matches will be of 15-overs including the World Series Final.
- Long-distance traveling will be required at the player's expense.
- The World Series Final could be played on the eve of the BMM Convention (preferably in an indoor stadium for weather reasons) or at a central location for all the qualifying teams.
- BMM can award a Trophy to the World Series winner during the BMM Convention.
- The World Series winner will be declared in 'BMM Vrutta'.

Interested in playing Cricket Tournament? Please register by clicking: <https://bmm2.page.link/cricket>

For additional information, please contact your Mandal President or BMM Representative.

The 'Cricket Lead(s)' from participating Mandal can contact the following 'BMM Cricket Leads' for any clarification on rules, questions regarding team formation, concerns/suggestions, etc.:

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Appendix A – Proposed Regions for the Mandal Cricket World Series

<p>Region # 1 North East Albany Marathi Mandal Connecticut Maharashtra Mandal New England Marathi Mandal</p>	<p>Region # 2 East Coast Maharashtra Mandal New York Marathi Vishwa NJ (West Windsor) Philadelphia Marathi Mandal Delaware Valley Marathi Mitra Mandal (Hockessin)</p>
<p>Region # 3 Capital Region Baltimore Marathi Mandal Maharashtra Mandal of Central PA (Harrisburg) Greater Richmond Marathi Mandal Marathi Kala Mandal of Greater Washington DC</p>	<p>Region # 4 Carolina Charlotte Marathi Mandal Greenville Maharashtra Mandal, SC RTP Maharashtra Mandal (Raleigh)</p>
<p>Region # 5 South Central Maharashtra Mandal of Atlanta Tennessee Marathi Mandal (Nashville)</p>	<p>Region # 6 Florida Maayboli Melawa Tampa Bay Marathi Mandal South Florida (Lake Worth) Orlando Marathi Mandal</p>
<p>Region # 7 Lake Erie Region Columbus Maharashtra Mandal Maharashtra Mandal Pittsburgh Northeast Ohio Marathi Mandal (Cleveland) Triveni Mitra Mandal Cincinnati</p>	<p>Region # 8 Michigan Ann Arbor Marathi Mandal Maharashtra Mandal Detroit Mid-Michigan Marathi Mandal Toronto Marathi Bhashik Mandal</p>
<p>Region # 9 North Central Bloomington Maharashtra Mandal (IL) Chicago Maharashtra Mandal Maharashtra Sneha Mandal of Indiana Wisconsin Maharashtra Mandal (Milwaukee)</p>	<p>Region # 10 Mid-West Maharashtra Mandal of Kansas City Nebraska Marathi Mandal St. Louis Maharashtra Mandal Marathi Association of Minnesota*</p>
<p>Region # 11 Texas Austin Marathi Mandal Dallas/Fort Worth Maharashtra Mandal Houston Maharashtra Mandal San Antonio Maharashtra Mandal</p>	<p>Region # 12 Remote Rockies Colorado Marathi Mandal* Phoenix Metro Maharashtra Mandal* UTAH Marathi Mandal (Salt Lake City)*</p>
<p>Region # 13 North West Oregon Marathi Mandal Seattle Maharashtra Mandal Marathi Society of BC (Vancouver) Calgary Marathi Association*</p>	<p>Region # 14 California (North) East Bay Marathi Mandal Maharashtra Mandal Bay Area Marathi Mandal Sacramento</p>
<p>Region # 15 California (South) Maharashtra Mandal Los Angeles San Diego Maharashtra Mandal</p>	

* Very long-distance travel is required even for the Regional Tournament

Don't stop chasing your dreams, because dreams do come true - Sachin Tendulkar



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-  National Championship

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➤ Participation Rules ◀

- Mandal Membership is required for players.
- Form a Team & Register.
- Up to 15 players per team are allowed.
- Multiple teams are allowed per Mandal.
- The Top 2 teams from each Mandal will qualify for Regional Championship.
- The Regional Champions will qualify for National Championship.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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