COVID 19 RELATED REPLACEMENT POLICY

Where a member is unable to participate in the second day of a match due to a requirement to self isolate or to illness as a result of coronavirus the following shall apply.

Replacement Member

A member affected by coronavirus may be replaced by a member notified to Secretary- DDCA at the earliest opportunity. Replacement players cannot be from a higher grade. Consequent replacements in lower grades shall be allowed and notified at the same time.

If not known in advance of a day's play, notification of replacement members shall be made to the opposition captain and umpires as soon as practicable and before the replacement member taking the field. Umpires will note all replacement members participating in the day's play on the match report and will notify Secretary -DDCA as soon as possible.

No alteration allowed after notification

In all circumstances once notification has been given, no further alteration shall be allowed.

Requirement of replacement member

A replacing member shall be subject to the provisions of the DDCA Rules and Laws of Cricket as would have applied to the member replaced if that member had continued playing in the match.

Substitute Fielder

Where a replacement member has not been requested, a substitute fielder shall be allowed.

Notification of Substitute Fielder

The captain of the opposing team and the umpires shall be informed of the use of a replacement member or substitute fielder before the fielder takes part in the game.

Withdrawal of Member

Where a member withdraws from a match because of COVID 19 related requirements the following shall apply:

If a member is a not out batter, shall be treated under Law 2.9 as retiring owing to unavoidable cause and recorded as "retired, not out".

If a member retires under this clause and is a not out batter, shall be replaced at the crease by the nominated member.

Furnishment of Medical Evidence

Any member replaced under this clause must furnish a copy of a medical certificate or other proof that may be available.

In the event that no proof is provided the member replacing the omitted member will be deemed to be ineligible and subject to the provisions of Rule 5..

CONFIRMED CASE/S OF COVID-19

If there are more than four confirmed COVID cases prior to the match that team shall not compete in the match and the match shall be abandoned.

If there are more than four confirmed COVID cases during the match the match shall be abandoned unless a first innings result has already been achieved prior to the abandonment of the match.

DETERMINATION OF MATCH RESULT

- a) DDCA Executive has the discretion to allocate points to a team where they are satisfied there are exceptional circumstances justifying the discretion being exercised.
- b) For the purposes of [a] above, what constitutes "exceptional circumstances" is to be determined by DDCA Executive on a case by case basis.
- c) Any discretionary points awarded pursuant to [a] above will be in accordance with Rule 4.3