



ICC MEDIA RELEASE

Dubai, 25 March 2020

COVID-19 UPDATE – ICC QUALIFYING EVENTS

The International Cricket Council today has announced further action in response to the global COVID-19 pandemic.

After careful evaluation of the current situation and with the health and well-being of the global cricket family the priority, all ICC qualifying events due to take place before 30 June will be postponed subject to further review. The decision has been taken in conjunction with Members and in line with the relevant government and public health authority advice.

The global health risks, closure of country borders and widespread travel restrictions, means the following ICC events will now be postponed:

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Qualifier A – Asia - Host Kuwait; 16 – 21 April

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Sub- Regional Qualifier – Africa – Host South Africa; 27 April – 3 May

ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 – Host Namibia; 20 – 27 April

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Qualifier A – Europe - Host Spain; 16 - 22 May

ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 - Host PNG; 9-16 June

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Qualifier C – Europe - Host Belgium; 10 - 16 June

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Qualifier B – Asia - Host Malaysia; 26 June – 2 July

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Qualifier B – Europe- Host Finland; 24 - 30 June

All remaining [Men's T20 World Cup 2021](#) and Men's Cricket World Cup 2023 qualifying events for 2020 are listed below. These events are being continually monitored with relevant stakeholders and Members.

ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 – Host Scotland – 3-11 July 2020

ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Challenge League B – Host Uganda – 3 -13 August 2020

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Regional Final - Americas – Host Canada; 18 – 24 August

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Challenge League A – Host Malaysia – 30 September – 10 October

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Regional Final – Europe – Host TBC - September TBC

ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 – Host Namibia – September TBC

ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 – Host UAE – December TBC

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Regional Final – Africa – Host and dates TBC

ICC Men's T20 World Cup Regional Final - EAP Host and dates TBC

The ICC Women's Cricket World Cup Qualifier which is scheduled to take place in Sri Lanka between 3-19 July is also being monitored and kept under review.

In addition, after careful evaluation the ICC Men's T20 World Cup Trophy Tour, driven by Nissan will not be commencing in April as originally planned. We will continue to monitor the situation closely and in partnership with Members and Nissan will evaluate the potential for a condensed Trophy Tour with a revised itinerary at a point closer to the event.

ICC Head of Events, Chris Tetley said: “In light of the significant global health concerns at the current time and the restrictions on movement imposed by governments across the world, the ICC has taken the decision to postpone all events up until the end of June subject to further review.

“Our commitment to the health and safety of players, officials, staff and fans is our priority when taking these decisions and we must act responsibly in the best interests of all involved and be guided by official advice. We felt that now was the right time to take a prudent decision on these events before further planning is undertaken and to provide clarity to everyone involved.

“Work will continue on contingency plans and options for both men’s qualification pathways. We will provide updates in due course on these plans and decisions on the staging of the remaining events this year. I would like to thank all hosts and participating Members for their support and understanding in reaching this position and we are unified in our hopes and intention to get cricket back on as soon as is safe and practical to do so.”

Full breakdown of events and participating Members.

ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2021 qualification

Qualification to ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2021	Host and Dates	Participating Members
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Qualifier A – Asia – POSTPONED	Host Kuwait 16 - 21 April	Bahrain, Kuwait, Maldives, Qatar, Saudi Arabia
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Sub-Regional Qualifier – Africa POSTPONED	Host South Africa 27 April – 3 May	Botswana, Cameroon, Ghana, Uganda, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Rwanda, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, St Helena, Swaziland, and Tanzania
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Qualifier A – Europe – POSTPONED	Host Spain 16 - 22 May	Bulgaria, Cyprus, France, Israel, Italy, Malta, Norway, Spain
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Qualifier C – Europe POSTPONED	Host Belgium 10 - 16 June	Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Isle of Man, Portugal, Romania, Serbia
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Qualifier B – Europe POSTPONED	Host Finland 24 - 30 June	Finland, Gibraltar, Germany, Greece, Guernsey, Hungary, Luxembourg and Sweden
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Qualifier B – Asia POSTPONED	Host Malaysia 26 June – 2 July	Bhutan, China, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Thailand
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Regional Final - Americas	Host Canada 18-24 August	Argentina, Bahamas, Belize, Bermuda, Canada, Cayman Islands, Panama, USA
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Regional Final – Europe	Host TBC September TBC	Jersey, Q1, Q2, Q3
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Regional Final – Africa	Host and dates TBC	Kenya, Nigeria, Q1, Q2
ICC Men’s T20 World Cup Regional Final - EAP	Host and dates TBC	Cook Islands, Fiji, Indonesia, Japan, Philippines, Samoa, South Korea, Vanuatu

ICC Men’s Cricket World Cup 2023 qualification

Qualification to ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023	Host and Dates	Participating Members
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Challenge League A POSTPONED	Host Malaysia 16-26 March	Canada, Denmark, Malaysia, Qatar, Singapore, Vanuatu
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 POSTPONED	Host USA 30 March – 8 April	Scotland, UAE, USA
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 POSTPONED	Host Namibia 20-27 April	Namibia, Nepal, Scotland
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 POSTPONED	Host PNG 9-16 June	Nepal, PNG, UAE
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2	Host Scotland 3-11 July	Nepal, Namibia, Scotland,
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Challenge League B	Host Uganda – 3 -13 August	Bermuda, Hong Kong, Italy, Jersey, Kenya, Uganda
Rescheduled ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Challenge League A	Host Malaysia 30 September – 10 October	Canada, Denmark, Malaysia, Qatar, Singapore, Vanuatu
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2	Host Namibia – September TBC	Namibia, PNG, USA
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2	Host UAE – December TBC	UAE, Namibia, Oman

ENDS

FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT

Mary Godbeer

Media and Communications Officer- Development

Email: mary.godbeer@icc-cricket.com

Mobile: +971565458908

ABOUT THE ICC

The ICC is the global governing body for cricket. Representing 105 Members, the ICC governs and administrates the game and is responsible for the staging of major international tournaments including the ICC Men's World Cup and Women's World Cup and the ICC Men's and Women's T20 World Cups as well as all associated qualifying events.

The ICC presides over the ICC Code of Conduct which sets the professional standards of discipline for international cricket, playing conditions, bowling reviews and other ICC regulations. The Laws of the game remain under the auspices of the MCC.

The ICC also appoints the umpires and referees that officiate at all sanctioned Test matches, One Day International and Twenty20 Internationals. Through the Anti-Corruption Unit it coordinates action against corruption and match fixing.

The ICC Development department works with Associate Members to improve the quality of international cricket, build better cricket systems, get more people playing cricket and grow the game.