

NoSCA Playing Conditions – Appendix 2: Using the Rain Calculator

- 1) The Rain Calculator can be found on the NoSCA website (www.nosca.net) under the **FIXTURES & RESULTS** menu
- 2) The Rain Calculator is **ONLY** relevant for those games which are abandoned **AFTER** 50% or more of the second innings overs have been bowled. In these cases, the result predicted by the calculator will be used for the purposes of deciding League, Cup and T20 matches.
- 3) An example of the calculator is shown below:

The screenshot shows the NOSCA Rain Calculator interface. It features a central form with the following fields and callouts:

- 1st innings score**: Points to the 'TEAM A SCORED' field (187).
- 1st innings wickets**: Points to the 'FOR' field (8).
- 2nd innings score**: Points to the 'TEAM B SCORED' field (110).
- 2nd innings wickets**: Points to the 'FOR' field (6).
- 2nd innings overs bowled before match was abandoned**: Points to the 'OVERS FACED' field (32.1).
- Maximum number of overs available in the INNINGS (not the match)**: Points to the 'MAXIMUM' field (45).

The calculator also includes radio buttons for 'SENIOR LEAGUE' (selected), 'RESERVE LEAGUE', and 'CUP'. A large yellow 'CALCULATE' button is positioned below the form. The results section shows: 'RESULT : TEAM A WINS BY 26 RUNS', 'PREDICTED SCORE : 161 all out', 'TEAM A POINTS : 20', and 'TEAM B POINTS : 8 : for 161 runs [4] & 8 wkts [4]'. The website 'www.cricketstats.org.uk' is at the bottom.

In this example of a Senior League game, Team A batted first and scored 187 for 8 in their 45 overs. In reply, the game was halted after the first ball of the 33rd over with Team B on 110 for 6. The predicted final score is 161 all out, which would be the score input for the purposes of the league tables. The points allocation for the game would be 20 points to Team A and 8 points to Team B

- 4) To use the calculator you need to input the following information :
 - **TEAM A SCORED** = number of runs scored by side batting first
 - **FOR** = number of wickets lost by side batting first
 - **TEAM B SCORED** = number of runs scored by side batting second
 - **FOR** = number of wickets lost by side batting second
 - **OVERS FACED** = actual number of overs faced by side batting second (part overs are input as .1 for one ball, .2 for two balls, etc.) before the game was abandoned.
 - **MAXIMUM** = the number of overs available to each side at the start of the game – for example 45 for a Senior League game which started on time. For clarification, if a team is bowled out in the first innings the number in this box is NOT the overs they actually faced but the overs that they had available at the start of the innings.
- 5) Finally, before selecting **CALCULATE** you need to select the type of game played (for T20 matches use the CUP option) to ensure correct bonus points for league games.
- 6) If you are in any doubt about using the Rain Calculator for a specific match please forward the relevant scores, wickets and number of overs to the relevant Match Secretary.