

# Tarleton Cricket Club – Fielding Regulations for Young Players

## Fielding Regulations

### 2.1 General

2.1.1 Regulation 2 applies to all Junior Cricketers that participate in Hardball Cricket and Softball Cricket.

2.1.2 Regulation 2.2.1 sets out minimum fielding distances that players must comply with depending on their age.

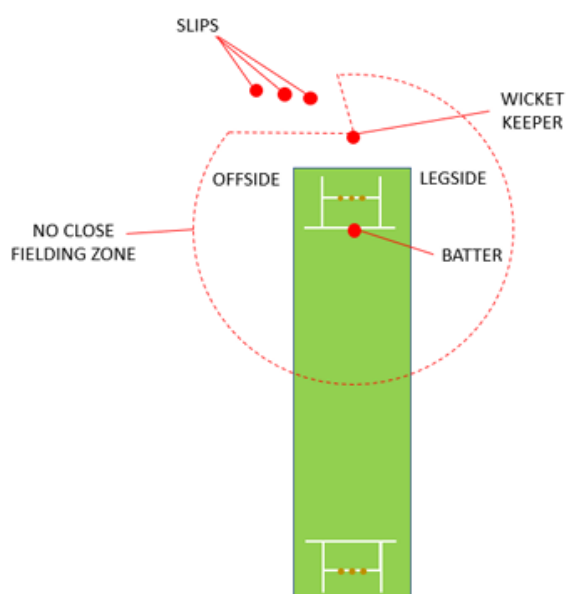
2.1.3 The minimum distances specified in Regulation 2.2.1 must be measured from the batter's position on the popping crease on a middle stump line.

2.1.4 Players who are fielding behind the wicket keeper on the offside are not required to comply with the minimum fielding distances.

2.1.5 The following diagram provides a basic illustration (not to scale) of the zone within which a fielder must not stand unless permitted under this Regulation 2:

2.1.6 The minimum distances set out in Regulation 2.2.1 apply even if the player fielding is wearing Protective Equipment.

2.1.7 For the avoidance of doubt, a player must adhere to the restrictions associated with their age and not the level of Age Group they are playing in. For example, a 13-year-old playing in an U15 match must follow the minimum fielding distance for a 13-year-old (11 yards or 10 meters).



Age in years	Minimum Fielding Distance (from the striking batter)
9 or younger	11 yards (10 meters)
10 - 13	11 yards (10 meters)
14 - 15	8 yards (7.3 meters)
16 – 17	No minimum distance but if fielding within 8 yards (7.3 meters) in Hardball Cricket cricketers must comply with Regulation 4.2.3
18+	No minimum distance but if fielding within 8 yards (7.3 meters), in Hardball Cricket see ECB Recreational Cricket Safety Guidelines for safety recommendations