

Wide off which the batsmen ran 2 byes, another dot ball, the batsman scored 1 off the next, 4 off the following and the final delivery of the over was another dot ball. That's 8 deliveries off the over. 6 fair deliveries plus an extra delivery for the No-Ball and an extra delivery for the Wide.

In the over summary, we record 12-0, that's 12 runs for 0 wickets. 1 for the No-Ball plus 3 the batsmen ran, 1 for the Wide plus the 2 byes, 1 run and 4 runs = 12.

In the batsman's analysis, whether we record delivery by delivery outcome or not, he would be credited with 8 runs off that over (more on this later).

In the EXTRAS analysis we add a total of 4. 1 No-Ball extra and 3 Wide extras and in the total runs tally we should have 12 as our total.

For the next over we have 2 runs, dot, dot, Wide, dot, 1 run, Bye (as these do not count against or for the bowler we do not record how many). So the bowling totals for this over would be 4 which gives a cumulative total of 16 for 0 wickets. The batsmen have added 3, BYES (lets call it 1 for this example) have been added to the EXTRAS analysis and 1 has been added to the WIDE extras. The total runs tally stands at 17.

In the third over we have a LEG BYE (as these do not count against or for the bowler we do not record how many but we'll call it 2 for this example) a wicket, a dot ball, a NO BALL with 2 byes, 3 runs, dot and 1 run. The bowlers cumulative total stands at 23 for 1. The batsmen have a total of 15 and there are now a total of 11 EXTRAS (8 bowling and 3 fielding as example above). The total runs tally stands at 26. How do we check that this is correct? Simply remember that:

1. The total of ALL batsman's scores PLUS ALL extras = **THE TOTAL SCORE.**
2. The total of ALL bowler's totals PLUS all FIELDING extras = **THE TOTAL SCORE.**
3. The total of ALL batsman's scores PLUS all BOWLING extras = **THE BOWLING TOTALS.**

Do the maths yourself and you'll see the examples above work out exactly.

SCORING RATE				
Over No.	Total Score	Wickets	Bowler No.	Runs in Over
1	5	-	1	5
2	9	-	2	4
3	12	1	1	3
4	18	1	2	6
5	20	2	1	2

At the end of each over the scoring rate column is completed.

Here we basically record the cumulative total runs at the end of that over, which is the total runs tally. The difference between this and the total at the end of the previous over gives you the runs scored in the over.

We also record the cumulative number of wickets that have fallen at the end of that over, and finally we record which bowler bowled the over.

If you look at the example here you see that this also provides a snapshot of how things stand in a match. In this case, 20 runs for the loss of 2 wickets at the end of the 5th over.

At league and competition level, a club usually has 1 or 2 dedicated scorers, so they are able to record all the niceties such as the bowler's action, the number of deliveries a batsman faces, duration of partnerships etc. At our level this is difficult purely because there's usually just one scorer who is a player and they are recording figures in those stupid little scorebooks that require the handwriting size of the tooth fairy, when what's really needed is an A3 size scoresheet at least, and all the while they are waiting for a break so they can pad up.

The bowling figures cause problems generally because the poor sod doing the scoring has never had it explained properly and has just picked it up from a team mate who learned it exactly the same way.

Because of the limitations of space, we generally only record the batsmans runs in the batting analysis, which is a shame because most players would like some idea of the number of balls faced and their strike rate.

Properly done, the batsmans analysis would mirror the bowlers over the course of an over. So we would record every dot ball, no ball, wide, scoring ball, bye and leg bye ball delivered in their figures, although of course they are only credited with runs off their bat. This provides us with a total of balls faced over the course of their innings.

Note that when totting up you do not include WIDE deliveries as balls faced although they are recorded as a delivery.

Anyway, that's about it really. At competition level you need to understand and record other details but I'm sure you'll find this enough to be getting on with.