MEN'S PLAYER SELECTION REGULATIONS 2021

1. Introduction

1.1. These Men's Player Selection Regulations (the "**Regulations**") set out the procedure for the Player Selection and Registration Process for the Men's Hundred. The ECB may amend the Regulations at any time on notice to interested parties (including TeamCos and Players).

1.2. The ECB shall be responsible for the enforcement of these Regulations, including any disputes relating to the same, except that the ECB may at its discretion appoint a Technical Committee which it may at its discretion refer disputes or matters connected to these Regulations to. The Technical Committee's decision in respect of any disputes shall be final and binding.

1.3. By becoming Draft Registered (as defined in Regulation 3.1 and/or participating in the Player Draft), each interested party agrees to be bound by and comply with the Regulations.

2 Player Retention Process

2.1 During the Retention Window and subject to the requirements of this Regulation 2, TeamCos may offer any Player who they selected from the draft, or selected as a Replacement Player, in respect of the previous edition of The Hundred, a new Playing Contract at any Player Fee in respect of the following year of The Hundred, and require that Player to sign a new Men's PSA. Each such Player, whether a Test Player or otherwise, upon signing the new Playing Contract and Men's PSA (or, at the sole discretion of the ECB, upon the Player having accepted the offer of a Playing Contract) during the Retention Window, will be a "**Retained Player**". Each Retained Player may only be retained for one edition of The Hundred at a time and not for any longer period.

2.2 If a TeamCo wishes to retain a Player from a previous edition of The Hundred and therefore contract with that Player as a Retained Player for the next edition of The Hundred, the following criteria will need to be met for that Player to remain a TeamCo Registered Player to allow him to contract with the TeamCo as a Retained Player:

2.2.1 the Player must confirm he continues to have the right to work in the UK as a Professional Sportsperson;

2.2.2 the TeamCo shall provide all information relating to the new Playing Contract and the new Men's PSA as the ECB may require (including but not limited to therelevant Player Fee and the corresponding Pick Number in relation to the Player Draft forthe relevant year's competition);

2.2.3 no such Playing Contract and/or Men's PSA may be entered into in circumstances where the Technical Committee objects in their sole discretion;

2.2.4 the standard forms of Playing Contract and Men's PSA, respectively, shall be used; and

2.2.5 the TeamCo must confirm to the ECB that the Player remains eligible to be registered and retained under the relevant Player Category. In the case of a Player who is no longer eligible to be registered under the same Player Category, the Player must become Draft Registered in his new relevant Player Category before signing his new Playing Contract as a Retained Player.

2.3 If the Player a TeamCo is seeking to retain is not a Test Player at the time of signing the new Playing Contract and/or Men's PSA as a Retained Player in respect of the following edition of The Hundred, the Retained Player shall not constitute a Test Player for the following edition of The Hundred, irrespective of whether they later become a Test Player prior to or during that following edition of The Hundred. The Player Fee payable to such a Retained Player in respect of the following edition of The Hundred shall remain per their negotiated Playing Contract, shall not be affected by their acquired Test status and therefore no Test Player Additional Match Fee shall be payable.

2.4 If the Player a TeamCo is seeking to retain is a Test Player at the time of signing the new Playing Contract and/or Men's PSA as a Retained Player in respect of the following edition of The Hundred, such Player shall constitute a Test Player for the following edition of The Hundred, irrespective of whether they later lose their Test Player status prior to or during that following edition of The Hundred. The Player Fee payable to such a Retained Player in respect of the following edition of The Hundred shall be determined in accordance with Regulation 4.3.3.

2.5 Although a TeamCo may have a maximum of two Test Players for any edition of The Hundred (in accordance with Regulation 4.3 below), a TeamCo is only guaranteed the ability to retain one Test Player for the following edition of The Hundred (the TeamCo's "**Retained Test Player**"). Therefore, if a TeamCo has more than one Test Player to choose from to retain then they must select one of those Test Players to retain for the following edition of The Hundred, and release all other Test Players for selection in accordance with Regulation 4.3.

2.6 Where a Player was a Test Player in respect of the previous edition of The Hundred but is not a Test Player in respect of the following edition of The Hundred at the time the Retention Window opens, they will be eligible to be signed as a Retained Player under Regulation 2.1, but not a TeamCo's Retained Test Player.

2.7 For editions of The Hundred from 2022 onwards, a TeamCo may retain, for a following edition of The Hundred, a maximum of ten non-Test Players, of which a maximum of three may be Overseas Players, plus a maximum of one Test Player. Any Players being retained as Overseas Players under this regulation must be Draft Registered as an Overseas Player for the following edition of The Hundred.

2.8 For the 2021 edition of The Hundred, a TeamCo may retain, from their TeamCo Registered Players from the 2020 edition of The Hundred, a maximum of fourteen non-Test Players, of which a maximum of three may be Overseas Players plus a maximum of one Test Player. Any Players being retained as Overseas Players under this regulation must be Draft Registered as an Overseas Player for the 2021 edition of The Hundred.

3 Player Draft Eligibility

3.1 Subject in each case to the discretion of the ECB, Players become "**Draft Registered**" for each respective draft stage (as detailed in Regulation 4.1) by:

3.1.1 For the **Central Contract Draft**, automatically, by becoming a Test Player.

3.1.2 For the **Main Draft**, by validly completing and submitting the required registration form (as provided by the ECB) including any necessary documents demonstrating they meet the eligibility requirements for the Player Category in which they wish to become Draft Registered, by no later than the time prescribed by the ECB in each year.

3.1.3 For the **Wildcard Draft** (each such Player then being a "**Wildcard Player**"), either:

(i) becoming registered for the Main Draft (per Regulation 3.1.2 above) and at that point confirming that they were prepared to be selected as a Wildcard Player but were not (a) selected in the Main Draft; (b) signed as a Replacement Player; or (c) signed as a Retained Player; or

(ii) by validly completing and submitting the required registration form (as provided by the ECB) including any necessary documents demonstrating they meet the eligibility requirements for the Player Category in which they wish to become Draft Registered, by no later than the time prescribed by the ECB in each year for the separate Wildcard Draft.

3.2 Only Players who are Draft Registered may be selected during the Player Draft or placed on the Replacement Roster (being the list of Replacement Players).

3.3 Players who are Draft Registered from a previous edition of The Hundred who wish to remain Draft Registered for the following edition of The Hundred, and continue to meet the criteria to be Draft Registered in the same Player Category, must complete and return the necessary forms by the prescribed deadline, when requested to do so by the ECB. Following completion and return of the necessary forms, the Player's continuing Draft Registration remains at the discretion of the ECB. If the Player does not complete and return the necessary forms within the prescribed deadline, their registration as a Draft Registered Player will automatically be deemed cancelled from the final date of the Retention Window.

3.4 Players who wish to become Draft Registered under a different Player Category must recomplete the relevant Draft Registration process as required under Regulation 3.1.

3.5 The ECB will have the full powers available under the Qualification Regulations to refuse a Player's application to become Draft Registered (*see Regulation 4 of the Qualification Regulations*), and/or to suspend or cancel a Player's Draft Registration (*see Regulation 6 of the Qualification Regulations*). If a Player's Draft Registration is suspended or cancelled by the ECB, then the Player's status as a TeamCo Registered Player will be automatically suspended or cancelled accordingly, making the Player ineligible to play for the TeamCo in any match from the point of suspension or cancellation of their Draft Registration.

4 Player Draft

4.1 The Player Draft in each year shall consist of the following draft stages in the order shown:

4.1.1 the Central Contract Draft;

4.1.2 the Main Draft; and

4.1.3 the Wildcard Draft.

Central Contract Draft

4.2 One or more Test Players may be appointed as a non-playing Player for The Hundred in which case they shall be selected by TeamCo pursuant to the Central Contract Draft, but shall not participate in any training or matches in The Hundred for the Team that selects them. TeamCos will be notified accordingly.

4.3 On the Central Contract Draft Day each TeamCo may select up to two Test Players as follows:

4.3.1 Round 1 - Each TeamCo that has not contracted a Retained Test Player under its Player Retention Process (meaning that it has no Test Player contracted) shall select one Test Player. TeamCos will draw lots for the selection order where there is more than one TeamCo without a selected Test Player on the Central Contract Draft Day.

4.3.2 Round 2 – TeamCos who wish to sign any remaining Test Player(s) not selected after the above selection process shall submit expressions of interest to the ECB and the following approaches shall apply:

(a) TeamCos may submit expressions of interest in respect of more than one remaining Test Player and, if doing so, shall specify their order of preference between those Test Players.
(b) If more than one expression of interest is received in respect of the same Test Player then lots shall be drawn to determine which TeamCo may sign that Test Player.
(c) If following the process at 4.3.2(b) a TeamCo gains the right to sign more than one of the remaining Test Players then, of those Test Players, that TeamCo shall be allocated the Test Player who was highest in their order of preference. Lots shall be redrawn for the right to sign the other remaining Test Player(s) amongst the other TeamCos who submitted an expression of interest.
(d) If no expressions of interest are received in respect of a Test Player then that Test Player shall be allocated to the TeamCo whose Catchment Area the Test Player is within, or, if that Test Player's Catchment Area TeamCo already has two Test Players, then that remaining Test Player shall be allocated to another TeamCo without the maximum two Test Players, determined by the drawing of lots.

4.3.3 Test Players shall receive the following fees in respect of their participation in The Hundred, which shall cover the Test Player playing all or part of up to three matches in The Hundred for their TeamCo:

A. Test Players with a Red Ball Contract will receive the **Red Ball Test Fee** as specified in Schedule 1; and
B. Test Players with an All-Formats Contract will receive the **All Format Test Fee** as specified in Schedule 1.

In respect of any further matches that a Test Player plays all or part of, beyond the three matches covered by the above Red Ball Test Fee or All-Formats Test Fee, the Test Player shall receive an additional fee for each of those further matches (the "**Test Player Additional Match Fee**") as specified in Schedule 1.

4.3.4 However, in accordance with Regulation 2.4, if the Central Contract of any Player selected as a Test Player pursuant to the Central Contract Draft (in line with Round 1 and Round 2

as detailed above) is terminated for any reason before the end of the Competition Period meaning that they are no longer a Test Player, then the Player will remain registered with that TeamCo as a TeamCo's Test Player and may still be offered the Playing Contract and Men's PSA with the TeamCo they were selected by. If that Player was prior to termination employed under a Red Ball Contract, the fee for that Player's Playing Contract in such circumstances shall remain the same, per the fee referred to at Regulation 4.3.3. If that Player was, prior to termination, employed under an All-Formats Contract, the fee for that Player's Playing Contract in such circumstances shall be equal to the fee payable to a Player Selected in Band A as specified in Schedule 1. If the Test Player turns down the offer in such circumstances, they will not then be permitted to sign for an alternative TeamCo for that edition of The Hundred (whether as a Replacement Player or otherwise) and they will no longer be a TeamCo Registered Player.

4.3.5 At the end of the Central Contract Draft each TeamCo shall have one or two Test Players.

Main Draft

4.4 The Main Draft shall take place on a date determined by the ECB (the **"Main Draft Day"**) in each year for Squad places each TeamCo has vacant after completing the Player Retention Process in accordance with Regulation 2. The 2021 Main Draft shall take place in the following order (the reverse of the pick order used for the October 2019 draft):

1 – Birmingham Phoenix
2 – London Spirit
3 – Manchester Originals
4 – Oval Invincibles
5 – Welsh Fire
6 – Northern Superchargers
7 – Southern Brave
8 – Trent Rockets

4.5 In each Round each TeamCo which has a vacant Squad place shall select one Player at a Player Fee corresponding with the relevant Pick Number provided that:

4.5.1 no Player may be signed below his Reserve Price; and

4.5.2 in respect of any Pick Numbers allocated to Retained Players (as provided in Regulation 2.2.1 above) then the relevant TeamCo shall not make a selection during such Round.

4.6 By way of example in relation to Regulation 4.5:

4.6.1 In Round 4 each TeamCo shall select any available Player at a Player Fee of Band B provided that this sum is equal to or higher than his Reserve Price; but

4.6.2 If TeamCo has a Retained Player at Pick Number 4 then such TeamCo may not select a Player during such fourth Round.

4.7 The Main Draft shall continue until all fourteen Rounds have completed such that each TeamCo has fourteen Players in its Squad (including any Retained Players but excluding any Test Players selected/allocated under the Central Contract Draft).

4.8 The ECB may (at its discretion) schedule breaks to allow TeamCos to strategise or for the purposes of press conferences etc.

Wildcard Draft

4.9 The Wildcard Draft shall take place on a date to be determined by the ECB (the **"Wildcard Draft Day"**).

4.10 Each Wildcard Player shall have a Player Fee of Band G (irrespective of any other sum specified on the registration form submitted by any Player for the Main Draft where applicable).

4.11 All TeamCos shall draw lots to determine the order in which Wildcard Players are to be selected in the Wildcard Draft and each TeamCo shall select one Wildcard Player in such order.

4.12 At the end of the Wildcard Draft each TeamCo shall, subject to potential Replacement Events, have:

4.12.1 one or two Test Players from the Central Contract Draft;

4.12.2 fourteen Players after the Main Draft (inclusive of any Retained Players); and

4.12.3 one Wildcard Player.

Player Draft - General

4.13 At the Main Draft and (where appropriate) Wildcard Draft:

4.13.1 each TeamCo may be represented by a maximum of three officials (not including any Players) and TeamCos should inform the ECB not less than 3 days beforehand of the identity of such officials;

4.13.2 one of the TeamCo officials present shall be designated as the person responsible for making selections on behalf of the TeamCo;

4.13.3 once a TeamCo makes a selection it shall not be able to change its mind;

4.13.4 each TeamCo shall have a maximum of 100 seconds (from when it is its turn to pick) (or other period of time as specified by the ECB) to select a Player in the Main Draft. The Draft Official shall inform each TeamCo when it is its turn to pick a Player (i.e. when the 100 second period begins);

4.13.5 where a TeamCo wishes to exercise its Right to Match Option, it shall do so by a point in time, specified by the ECB, after another TeamCo has selected that Player. A TeamCo may only exercise a Right to Match Option if it has an available slot in their Squad list to guarantee that the Player receives the same salary as the TeamCo that initially selected that Player;

4.13.6 where a TeamCo selects a Player and another TeamCo exercises its Right to Match Option, the first TeamCo shall have a further 100 seconds to select another Player;

4.13.7 if, in any Round, a TeamCo fails to select a Player within the 100 second period, it will forfeit its position in that Round and must select a Player after all TeamCos have done so in that Round;

4.13.8 if, in any Round, two or more TeamCos fail to select a Player within the 100 second period, such TeamCos shall each forfeit its position in that Round and shall (in the order in which such TeamCos were entitled to make selections in that Round) select a Player after all other TeamCos have done so in that Round; and

4.13.9 if during the Main Draft and/or the Wildcard Draft a TeamCo repeatedly fails to make a selection within the 100 second period the Draft Official may use their discretion to impose additional penalties on such TeamCo in respect of such TeamCo's position in the selection order in one or more Rounds.

4.14 Each selection made on behalf of a TeamCo during the Player Draft shall bind the relevant TeamCo to such selection and shall require such TeamCo to execute a Playing Contract with each such Player.

4.15 When a Player has been selected under the Central Contract Draft, Main Draft or Wildcard Draft (and subsequent to any Right to Match Option being exercised):

4.15.1 he shall no longer be available for selection in the Player Draft;

4.15.2 the Playing Contract with such TeamCo shall automatically be deemed populated with all relevant details including the relevant TeamCo and Player Fee and signed by all then-outstanding parties; and

4.15.3 the relevant TeamCo shall provide the ECB with a copy of the Playing Contract.

4.15.4 Following completion of steps 4.15.1, 4.15.2 and 4.15.3 the Player will be deemed to be a TeamCo Registered Player.

5 Replacements

5.1 Subject always to the ECB's sole and complete discretion, any Player who was Draft Registered but was not selected in the Main Draft, and has confirmed on their registration form that they are prepared to be selected as a Replacement Player, shall be eligible to be included on the Replacement Roster and registered as a Replacement Player.

5.2 If a Replacement Event occurs (or if there is a realistic prospect of a Replacement Event occurring at a particular point in future), a TeamCo may (having first obtained the approval of such TeamCo's board by simple majority in respect of a particular Replacement Player) seek to engage such Replacement Player by submitting a request on the specified Player Replacement Request Form to the ECB which request shall include the following:

5.2.1 in cases of injury or illness, suitable medical evidence relating to the extent of such injury or illness and the prognosis for recovery;

5.2.2 in case of International Duty, suitable evidence from the relevant Player's national governing body; and

5.2.3 in all other cases, such evidence as the ECB requests.

5.3 If the ECB (in its sole discretion) consents to any replacement, then the relevantTeamCo may (via the ECB) offer to engage a Replacement Player at a Player Feenot higher than Band A and not lower than Band G. All offers made by TeamCo to engage a Replacement Player should be lodged with the ECB, regardless of whether the offer is accepted or declined.

5.4 The TeamCo can pay any amount of Player Fee for a Replacement Player provided that:

5.4.1 the amount paid by the TeamCo for any Replacement Player does not result in the TeamCo exceeding the Player Budget allocated to each TeamCo for their fully signed Team;

5.4.2 the amount paid by the TeamCo for any Replacement Player does not result in any non-Test Player being paid more than Band A or less than Band G once the TeamCo has signed its permitted 15 non-Test Players; and

5.4.3 if a TeamCo does not have its permitted 15 non-Test Players, the TeamCo ensures it has sufficient budget remaining to pay at least a Band G Player Fee for each empty Squad space, after it has made the payment to its Replacement Player(s).

5.5 A TeamCo may offer a Replacement Player a Playing Contract, subject to remaining compliant with the Squad Composition Regulations in Regulation 6, throughout the Competition Period. If a TeamCo makes such an offer to a Replacement Player, in accordance with these Regulations, which is accepted by that Replacement Player, then the Replacement Player shall automatically be contractually engaged pursuant to the Player Contract with that TeamCo and the Replacement player shall be deemed to be a TeamCo Registered Player. The Player Contract in such circumstances shall automatically be deemed populated with the details of such Team and the relevant TeamCo.

5.6 If a TeamCo makes an offer to a Replacement Player in accordance with these Regulations the Replacement Player shall be entitled to decline such offer, remain on the Replacement Roster or accept a subsequent offer to act as a Replacement Player (from the same or any other TeamCo).

5.7 For Temporary Replacement Events a Replacement Player shall be engaged by the TeamCo for the duration of such Temporary Replacement Event, following which such Replacement Player shall automatically cease to be engaged by such TeamCo and shall:

5.7.1 not be placed back on the Replacement Roster if he played in all or part of any match in The Hundred for such TeamCo; or

5.7.2 be placed back on the Replacement Roster if he has not played in all or part of any such match.

5.8 For Permanent Replacement Events a Replacement Player shall be engaged by the TeamCo until the end of the Competition Period and shall be removed from the Replacement Roster for the duration of all (or the remainder of) the Competition Period.

5.9 No Replacement Player may be engaged by any TeamCo without the consent of the ECB.

5.10 Test Players may not be replaced if they are unavailable to a Team for any reason.

5.11 TeamCos may only contract one Replacement Player per Replacement Event.

5.12 A Withdrawn Player may not be included within the Replacement Roster of the Wildcard Draft in respect of the edition of The Hundred in which he is a Withdrawn Player.

6 Squad Composition/Player Budget

6.1 No TeamCo may have more than 15 Players (not including Test Players) in its Squad at any given time.

6.2 No TeamCo may have more than three Overseas Players in its Squad at any given time.

6.3 No TeamCo may, in respect of a single edition of The Hundred, exceed the Player Budget by way of Player Fees to the Players comprising its Squad during such edition of The Hundred. Player Fees shall be allocated as follows with the amounts specified in Schedule 1:

6.3.1 subject to Regulation 5, not more than two Players each with a Player Fee at Band A;

6.3.2 subject to Regulation 5, not more than two Players each with a Player Fee at Band B;

6.3.3 subject to Regulation 5, not more than two Players each with a Player Fee at Band C;

6.3.4 subject to Regulation 5, not more than two Players each with a Player Fee at Band D;

6.3.5 subject to Regulation 5, not more than two Players each with a Player Fee at Band E;

6.3.6 subject to Regulation 5, not more than two Players each with a Player Fee at Band F

6.3.7 subject to Regulation 5, not fewer than three Players each with a Player Fee at Band G; and

6.3.8 one bonus payment of the Captains Bonus as specified in Schedule 1 to be paid by the TeamCo to one Player **or** divided between more than one Player (at such TeamCo's discretion) in recognition of such Player's(s') nomination by the TeamCo as captain of the Team.

6.4 In the event of any replacements under Regulation 5, the relevant Player Fee(s) shall be subject to appropriate pro-rating.

6.5 Player Fees payable to Test Players (see Regulations 4.3.3 and 4.3.4) shall not count towards Player Budgets.

6.6 TeamCos wishing to retain Players under Regulation 2 must remain compliant with Player Budgets.

7 Eligibility to Play

7.1 No Player shall be eligible to play for any TeamCo in any match in The Hundred unless:

7.1.1 the Player is a TeamCo Registered Player in accordance with these Regulations; and

7.1.2 the ECB has received a signed undertaking from the Player, in the form specified by the ECB; and

7.1.3 the Player has completed the PCA's online Anti-Corruption and Anti-Doping modules; and

7.1.4 the Player has passed all required cardiac screening tests.

7.2 A Player's TeamCo registration shall be deemed to be cancelled if:

7.2.1 they become a Withdrawn Player subsequent to a Permanent Replacement Event;

7.2.2 they are not a Retained Player following the end of the Retention Window; or

7.2.3 their TeamCo Registration is cancelled by the ECB for any reason, including under Regulation 3.5.

8 General

8.1 Neither the TeamCos nor Players shall collude or attempt to collude, whether directly or indirectly, with any other and/or TeamCo and/or Player to unfairly influence the outcome of the Player Draft in any manner. If any TeamCo or Player becomes aware of any circumstances which indicate and/or entail any such collusion they shall inform the ECB in writing immediately.

8.2 The ECB shall appoint a Draft Official who shall supervise and oversee the operation of the Player Draft and whose decision in respect of any disagreement shall be final and binding on all interested parties.

8.3 Any reference to consent or approval shall mean that such consent or approval is in writing (which shall include email).

9 Interpretation

9.1 The following definitions shall apply in these Regulations:

Catchment Area means the following FCCs that form the catchment area for each Team:
(i) Birmingham Phoenix: Warwickshire and Worcestershire;
(ii) Welsh Fire: Glamorgan, Gloucestershire and Somerset;

(iii) Northern Superchargers: Yorkshire and Durham;
(iv) London Spirit: Middlesex, Essex and Northamptonshire;
(v) Manchester Originals: Lancashire;
(vi) Trent Rockets: Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Nottinghamshire;
(vii) Oval Invincibles: Surrey and Kent; and
(viii) Southern Brave: Hampshire and Sussex.

For a Player to be deemed within a Team's Catchment Area, he must have been registered to an FCC within that Catchment Area during the professional cricket season that took place in the year before the edition of the Hundred in which the Player seeks to be registered. If he has been registered to more than one FCC during that professional cricket season, the Catchment Area will be that of the FCC he was registered to first.

Central Contract means an England central contract, pursuant to which a Player is employed by the ECB on a 12-month contract to play cricket for England:

- in test matches and "white ball" international cricket (an "**All-Formats Contract**");
- for test matches only (a "**Red Ball Contract**"); or
- in "white-ball" international cricket only (a "**White Ball Contract**").

Central Contract Draft Day means the date appointed by the ECB for drawing lots to determine the order of signing Players.

Competition Period has the meaning given to it in the Men's PSA.

Concussion Regulations means the ECB's regulations and/or guidelines relating to player concussion as amended from time to time.

Domestic Player means any Player who is not a Test Player and who:

(i) during the professional cricket season in England and Wales immediately preceding the Player Draft, was registered with a FCC as a Qualified Cricketer (as defined in the Qualification Regulations) and remains eligible to be registered as a Qualified Cricketer; and/or
(ii) is a Qualified Cricketer (or cricketer who was eligible to be a Qualified Cricketer (including through the exercise of ECB discretion)) in respect of whom a TeamCo has delivered to the ECB a written expression of their interest in selecting such Player in the Player Draft.

In all cases, the Player must on or before the Draft Registration Date (defined below) prove to the ECB's satisfaction that they have or will have the right to work as a professional cricketer in The Hundred, including where relevant that they meet the relevant ECB Governing Body Endorsement criteria.

Draft Official means the independent person chosen by the ECB to oversee the Player Draft in accordance with Regulation 7.2.

Draft Registration Date means the date specified by the ECB for each draft stage by which Players must be Draft Registered (as defined in Regulation 3.1) for each edition of The Hundred.

ECB	means England and Wales Cricket Board Limited.
ECB Regulations	means the ECB's rules, regulations, directives, playing conditions and codes as published and in force (and as amended and supplemented) from time to time, including, without limitation, the Regulations.
England	means the English national cricket team.
FCC	means a first class county cricket club, as defined under the ECB Articles of Association.
International Duty	has the meaning given to it in the Men's PSA.
Main Draft Day	As defined in Regulation 4.4.
Men's PSA	means the Men's Player Selection and Appearances Agreement that each Player must sign to be considered as a Draft Registered Player and/or a Wildcard Player.
NOC	means a "No Objection Certificate" as defined under applicable ICC Regulations.
Overseas Player	means any cricketer who: (i) meets the criteria to be registered as an Unqualified Cricketer (as defined in the Qualification Regulations); and (ii) proves to the ECB's satisfaction on or before the Draft Registration Date that they have or will have the right to work as a professional cricketer in The Hundred, including where relevant that they meet the relevant ECB Governing Body Endorsement criteria; and (iii) has confirmed that he is able to obtain an NOC and will provide the NOC to the ECB at the required time, proving that the cricketer's Governing Body (if any) consents to the cricketer participating in the relevant edition of The Hundred in accordance with the ICC Regulations.
Permanent Replacement Event	means any of the following situations in relation to a Player: (i) illness or injury meaning the Player is unable to play in: (i) all; or (ii) the remainder of; or (iii) more than 50% of the remaining Maximum Matches in the Competition Period certified in writing by an independent qualified medical practitioner; or (ii) a ban meaning the Player is unable to participate in all or part of the sport of cricket for the Team during: (i) all; or (ii) the remainder of; or (iii) more than 50% of the remaining Maximum Matches in the Competition Period due to any incident(s) taking place prior to the Competition Period; or (iii) the Player's NOC being revoked for all or part of (or only being granted in respect of part of) the Competition Period; or

(iv) the Player's visa or other required work permit being revoked for all or part of the Competition Period or only being made available for part of the Competition Period; or
(v) exceptional personal circumstances, including, without limitation, death or serious illness of a close relative which the Player believes will result in him being unable to play in (i) all; or (ii) the remainder of; or (iii) more than 50% of the remaining Maximum Matches in the Competition Period; or
(vi) due to Covid-19-related restrictions introduced and/or extended subsequent to his initial Draft Registration, the Player is either unable to travel to carry out his role for the TeamCo at all, or the Player chooses not to travel as a result of being required to isolate/quarantine on arrival to the UK and/or on return to his home country; or
(vii) the Playing Contract being terminated; or
(viii) such other exceptional circumstances as are approved by theECB, in its sole discretion; or
(ix) failure by the Player to complete any necessary registration requirements prior to the Competition Period.

Pick Number means the following selection slots in the Main Draft with a corresponding specified Player Fee as follows and specified in Schedule 1:
(i) Picks 1 and 2 – Band A;
(ii) Picks 3 and 4 – Band B;
(iii) Picks 5 and 6 – Band C;
(iv) Picks 7 and 8 – Band D;
(v) Picks 9 and 10 – Band E;
(vi) Picks 11 and 12 – Band F;
(vii) Picks 13 and 14 – Band G.

Player means a cricketer who meets the criteria for at least one Player Category.

Player Budget means the aggregate maximum gross sum available to TeamCos for Player Fees as specified in Schedule 1.

Player Category means each of:
(i) Test Players;
(ii) Domestic Players; and
(iii) Overseas Players.

Player Draft means the ECB's primary draft system through which cricketers are selected by a TeamCo to be a member of its Squad in The Hundred.

Player Fee means the fee payable to each Player in accordance with these Regulations which will, except in the case of Replacement Players, be one of the amounts specified in Schedule 1.

Playing Contract means the standard form employment contract, as prescribed by the ECB, that each non-Test Player must sign to become Draft Registered or a Retained Player.

Qualification Regulations	means the ECB Regulations Governing the Qualification and Registration of Cricketers, as amended from time to time.
Replacement Event	means together a Temporary Replacement Event and a Permanent Replacement Event and "**Replaced**" shall be construed accordingly.
Retained Player	As defined in Regulation 2.1.
Retained Test Player	As defined in Regulation 2.5.
Retention Window	the dates, as determined by the ECB in their sole discretion, between which a TeamCo may offer any Player who they selected from the Main Draft, or selected as a Replacement Player, in respect of the previous edition of The Hundred, a new Playing Contract in respect of the following year of The Hundred.
Reserve Price	means the sum stipulated by a Draft Registered Player as the lowest Player Fee at which they are prepared to be engaged by a TeamCo.
Round	means one round of the Main Draft (or Wildcard Draft) during which each TeamCo selects one Player.
Regulations	means these Men's Player Selection Regulations.
Right to Match Option	means an option for a Player's TeamCo for one edition of The Hundred (whether the Player was contracted by that TeamCo during the Competition Period or signed earlier and subsequently replaced) to, during the Main Draft or Wildcard Draft for the following edition of The Hundred, match the selection of that Player by another TeamCo. Each TeamCo is permitted to exercise a maximum of one Right to Match Option in total for use in the Main Draft or Wildcard Draft for any given edition of The Hundred.
Squad	means a Team's playing squad in The Hundred, subject to the Regulations.
Team	means one of the men's teams competing in The Hundred.
TeamCo	means each of the entities which has been granted the right by the ECB to organise, operate, promote and manage a Team.
TeamCo Registered Player	means a Player who is registered for one of the TeamCos.
Technical Committee	means the committee of the ECB that may be established pursuant to a Terms of Reference document that is anticipated to have the function of making decisions in accordance with its terms of reference and in connection with these Regulations following a referral from the ECB.
Temporary Replacement Event	means the period during which a Player in a Squad is temporarily unavailable to carry out his role for the Team either: (i) due to International Duty; or

(ii) in accordance with the Concussion Regulations; or

(iii) as a result of contracting Covid-19 and/or having to self-isolate pending Covid-19 test results, developing symptoms of Covid-19 and/or otherwise being requested or required to self-isolate (other than as a result of Covid-related travel restrictions that result in a Permanent Replacement Event), where that period of self-isolation will finish prior to the end of the Competition Period.

Test Player means a Player with an All-Formats Contract or a Red Ball Contract with a term covering the Competition Period. Test Players will be deemed to be in that Player Category from the date on which the Central Contracts are announced by the ECB.

The Hundred means the ECB's new short-form cricket competition, comprising eight men's and eight women's Teams.

Wildcard Draft Day as defined in Regulation 4.9.

Withdrawn Player means any Player who is withdrawn pursuant to a Replacement Event.

Schedule 1
Player Fees

In respect of the 2021 edition of the Hundred:

1. The Total Player Budget shall be £800,000, made up of the fees as indicated in the table below.

Band	**Amount**	**Number of Players**
A	£100,000	2
B	£80,000	2
C	£60,000	2
D	£48,000	2
E	£40,000	2
F	£32,000	2
G	£24,000	3
Captain's Bonus	£8,000	1 Captain
Total Budget	**£800,000**	**15**

2. In addition to the Total Player Budget, split between the amounts as indicated in the table above,
    a. the Red Ball Test Fee shall be £28,000; and
    b. the All Format Test Fee shall be £40,000; and

the Test Player Additional Match Fee shall be £4,608 per Match.