



SWPCL Player Eligibility

Clubs are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that players are correctly registered and in the case of non-local players (e.g. students) they would be well-advised to make active checks for their playing history.

The ECB Premier League Accreditation Criteria include the following provision:

“Leagues should ensure that a proportionate points deduction (or such other sanction as is appropriate under the League’s competition regulations) is applied in relation to any club/team playing in the top two 1st XI divisions that fields more than one Category 3 player.”

This is an extract from the full PL Rules

6. Player Eligibility, Registration and Transfers

- a. Players eligible to play in the League will be categorised as follows.
 - b. Category 1:
 - i. Qualification
 - (1) are either (I) a British or Irish citizen; or (ii) an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen, with settled or pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme;
 - OR
 - (2) have been resident in England and Wales for a minimum of 210 days between 1 April and 31 March in the year preceding their participation in the League;
 - ii. Restriction
 - (1) have not played cricket as a local/domestic player in any ICC Full Member Country (except England & Wales) in the 12-month period up to and including 31 March before the season in question, or at any time-after being registered as a Category 1 Player.
 - iii. All women and girls who comply with Paragraph 6bi above, irrespective of their playing history and any other provision of Appendix 1B, are categorised as Category 1 players.
- c. Players recruited into the Glamorgan CCC academy will be permitted to play in the league and classed as Category 1 provided the club they are allocated to is determined by rote and they comply with Paragraph 6b above. If they do not comply with Paragraph 6b above they will be classed as Category 3.
- d. Category 2: COUNTY STAFF CRICKETER
 - i. Any player-who holds a current contract with Glamorgan County Cricket Club. Staff Cricketers under any form of PCA recognised contract for other counties are not eligible to play.

- (1) A maximum of two such Glamorgan players may play in any match and then only if the opposition also has at least one such player playing in the match; otherwise, the maximum is one such player.
- (2) Only an officially allocated player (as per the published pre-season listing) is normally entitled to play. Such players may only play in the 1st XI and then only provided that the player has not played for another club in the same season.
- (3) In exceptional circumstances Glamorgan CCC may request that a Category 2 player (e.g. a player returning from injury) be allowed to play. Such players may only play instead of an officially allocated player at a club to be determined by vote.
- (4) Players awarded a contract after the season has started may continue to play for their registered club as a Category 1 player for the remainder of that season only.

e. Category 3: OTHERS

- i. Players not eligible to be registered as Category 1 or Category 2 must be registered as Category 3 if they wish to take part in the League.
- ii. Clubs may register more than one Category 3 Player but must not field more than one Category 3 Player at any one time.

f. Procedure

- i. Players are not eligible to play for any club in a league or Cup match unless first registered via Play-Cricket.com in the appropriate category in accordance with the procedure set out in these rules.
- ii. Players remain registered with a club as a player for that club until the player is formally transferred to a different club within the league or they play for another club outside the league in a Saturday competition. If a player has not played for three years, the player can freely register with another club.
- iii. Players transferring will need to obtain permission from their old club within the Play-Cricket system. If permission is not forthcoming in a timely manner the Secretary may approve the transfer if no objections have been raised.

g. The deadline for Registrations and Transfers for all categories is 30th June in each year.