

Lanka Premier League

Player Draft Guide 2022



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Introduction

The Lanka Premier League Player Draft Guide 2022 (hereinafter 'Guide') is issued by Sri Lanka Cricket with the aim of assisting the team / franchise owners and other stakeholders in selecting their teams effectively.

This guide is designed to address all possible aspects of the LPL Player Draft 2022.

Franchisees and other Stakeholders are advised to carefully read through this guide and be acquainted with the content thereof. Selection of Players for each franchise team will be done in accordance with the Draft and no deviation of this procedure will be accommodated unless otherwise reviewed and approved by the LPL Committee.

- A. This Guide outlines the 03rd edition of the squad selection process for Five (5) teams in the Lanka Premier League 2022.
- B. The Draft will take place in 2 stages and will consist of twenty (20) regular rounds as set out below:
 - i. International Player Draft
 - ii. Sri Lankan Player Draft
- C. Franchise Owners/Team Owners will not be permitted to skip any Player Selection Round and shall be required to select a player from each Category.
- D. Value of each Player will be as per the categorization submitted by the respective Player/Club during the Player Registration and Selection of each player for respective category shall deem that the value therein mentioned as unequivocally accepted by the Franchisee/Team Owner. Franchisee/Team Owner shall not be entitled to revise the value assigned for player applicable for each category in any manner whatsoever.
- E. The First Round will be the selection/announcement of a Player for the 'International RUBY Player Category' in which all teams will have the freedom to select or retain not more than one player outside the draft. In the event Franchisee/Team opts to renounce its right to select a player of its choice outside the draft as aforesaid, Franchisee/Team shall mandatory select a player for such category during the Draft.
- F. The Second Round will be the selection/announcement of a Player for the 'Sri Lankan RUBY Player Category' in which all teams will have the freedom to select or retain not more than one player outside the draft. In the event Franchisee/Team opts to renounce its right to select a player of its choice outside the draft as aforesaid, Franchisee/Team shall mandatory select a player for such category during the Draft.
- G. The Third Round will be the selection/announcement of a Player for the "International SAPPHIRE Player Category" in which all teams will have the freedom to select or retain not more than one player

outside the draft. In the event Franchise/Team opts to renounce its right to select a player of its choice outside the draft as aforesaid, Franchise/Team shall mandatory select a player for such category during the Draft. .

- H. The Fourth Round will be the selection/announcement of a Player for the “Sri Lankan SAPPHIRE player category” in which all teams will have the freedom to select or retain not more than one player outside the draft. In the event Franchise/Team opts to renounce its right to select a player of its choice outside the draft as aforesaid, Franchise/Team shall mandatory select a player for such category during the Draft. .
- I. For the purpose of this Draft,
- i. Subject to the eligibility criteria herein mentioned, the ‘International Player’ shall mean any player who is not a citizen of Sri Lanka and play and or take part in the game of Cricket in any country other than Sri Lanka and is recognized as such by their National Association.
 - ii. The ‘Sri Lankan Player’ shall mean any player who is citizen of Sri Lanka and play and or take part in the game of Cricket in Sri Lanka.
- J. Selection and announcement of a player outside the Draft shall be supported by the proof thereof issued by the Player confirming his exclusive representation for the respective Franchisee/Team.

The Draft Flow is as follows

No. of Player	Round Number	Player Category	VALUE (in USD)
1	1	International RUBY	Pre Draft/ 60000
2	2	Sri Lankan RUBY	Pre Draft/ 60000
3	3	International SAPPHIRE	Pre Draft/ 50000
4	4	Sri Lankan SAPPHIRE	Pre Draft/ 50000
5	5	International DIAMOND - A	40000
6	6	International DIAMOND - B	25000
7	7	International DIAMOND - B	25000
8	8	Sri Lankan DIAMOND - A	40000
9	9	Sri Lankan DIAMOND -B	25000
10	10	Sri Lankan DIAMOND - B	25000
11	11	International PLATINUM	15000
12	12	Sri Lankan PLATINUM	15000
13	13	Sri Lankan PLATINUM	15000
14	14	Sri Lankan PLATINUM	15000
15	15	Sri Lankan GOLD	10000
16	16	Sri Lankan GOLD	10000
17	17	Sri Lankan SILVER I	3000
18	18	Sri Lankan SILVER II	3000
19	19	Sri Lankan SILVER III	3000
20	20	Sri Lankan SILVER IV	3000

K. Other terms and conditions applicable for the Player Selection/ Draft.

Retention of Overseas Players

- 1) Each Franchisee will be given an opportunity to retain 5 players who represented the respective team of the Franchisee during the last edition of the LPL 2021 (as per the following categories), which may be exercised at the discretion of the Franchise owners subject to the terms set out below.
 - **1 Player from Gold & Silver each;**
 - **3 Players from Ruby/ Sapphire/ Diamond/ Platinum**
 - The maximum retention of foreign players to be limited to 2 per Franchisee.
 - No more than 5 eligible players (Retained from last season) to be allowed in The Squad across Franchisees, prior to the Draft.
 - This will ensure that a minimum of 15 rounds would be provided per Franchisee, in the Draft.
 - In the case of a Franchisee choosing not to retain 5 Players or chooses to retain less than Players, a provision to be made for them to pick from the Draft as per the pick order.
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- 2) Notwithstanding anything contained herein, Franchisees must ensure that players who have been nominated by the National Selectors of Sri Lanka Cricket are accommodated and thereby included either one of the “Sri Lankan RUBY” or “Sri Lankan SAPPHIRE” categories. (The list of players will be provided by the SLC before the drafts).
- 3) Each Franchisee must notify LPL Tournament Committee/IPG in writing, three (3) days prior to the Draft, details of the players and their intended category whom such Franchisee wishes to be retained in terms of the foregoing clauses (Both Overseas and Local).
- 4) Such notice shall be submitted together with the proof documents issued by each such player confirming his willingness to exclusively represent the Team of the respective Franchisee for the LPL 2022.
- 5) During the Round 15 and 16 of the Draft, Teams are permitted to pick only the “Sri Lankan Gold”. An emerging player shall mean a Player of his age below 23 as of 01st August 2022 (Players who are born after 01st August 1999). Notwithstanding the age of a particular player is below 23, such player shall not be eligible to be picked under the ‘Sri Lankan Gold’ category if such player has represented Sri Lanka in Test, ODI, or T20 formats in International Cricket. Provided however, this rule shall not apply to players who were part of national squads and not made debut for Sri Lanka on or before 01st January 2022.
- 6) In the event a player is not picked/selected by any of the Franchisee owners at the preferred rate offered by such player, that player will automatically be included in the relevant immediate lower-level category and will be eligible for selection under the said lower-level category during the draft, subject to the terms herein;

- A player who is registered under the 'Sri Lankan PLATINUM' category will be considered for selection under the 'Sri Lankan Gold' category only if such player qualifies the age requirements specified in clause 6 above.
 - A Player will not be eligible to register himself under two categories for the purpose of this clause.
 - Consideration of a player in the immediate lower-level category will be autonomous based on his non-selection at the registered category.
 - Nothing in this clause permits the 'International' category players to be considered under 'Sri Lankan' player categories or vice versa
- 7) Due to unavailability of RUBY or SAPPHIRE there should be player replacement by the consent of LPL Committee.
 - 8) Except as herein provided Franchise/Team owners shall have no right to draft International and Sri Lankan players into any other category other than the relevant category drafted at the preferred rate confirmed by such players.
 - 9) At the conclusion of the Draft, each Franchisee/Team must have at least a maximum of 20 players on its squad & all of whom shall be considered as the active members of the squad. Six (06) of which shall be International players whilst the remainder shall be Sri Lankan Players.
 - 10) Events such as replacements due to player injuries or sudden withdrawals due to personal reasons should be managed within the originally drafted (selected) squad of 20 players.

L. Squad Combination

- 1) At any given time, a playing eleven (XI) must include a minimum of Two (2) International players and may include a maximum of Four (4) International players.

M. Player Eligibility

1. RUBY & SAPPHIRE International players entering into the Player Draft must be a registered cricketer within his relevant National Cricket Federation/Board or have represented his country at international level and must have a great repute as a globally renowned cricket player. All RUBY & SAPPHIRE players, who seek permission to enter the LPL 2022 Draft, are subjected to LPL Executive Committee (SLC/IPG) approval.
2. All other International players entering the LPL 2022 Draft must be currently playing in either International cricket or Major T20 Franchisee based Cricket League, which is conducted/ controlled/ organized/ structured by a Full or Associate Member of ICC.
3. All players will be reviewed and approved by ACSU prior to the commencement of the League.

Pick Order

- 1) Selection order of the Players in the Lanka Premier League - Player Draft 2022 will be done generated using an algorithm by a randomized “**Drawing of the Player Categories**”. (Subject to the Draft being Live*)
- 2) Each team will be given up to three minutes to submit their picks during each round.
- 3) If a team fails to submit the player so picked within the stipulated time, the next team on the pick order shall make its pick.
- 4) The team that exceeds the time limit shall then pick last in that particular round and additional two minutes will be given for same.
- 5) The Lanka Premier League Tournament Committee may allow reasonable extension to the time limits in case of technical delays.

In any matter for which no specific rule and or provision has been laid down by this Guideline, the decision of the Lanka Premier League Tournament Committee shall be final and conclusive on all such matters unless revised or amended by the LPL Governing Council.

The headings contained herein are included for the convenience of reference only and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of this Guideline and any ambiguity or Any question of interpretation of any term or provision of this guideline shall be determined exclusively by the Lanka Premier League Tournament Committee and All the Franchisees and Stakeholders shall be subject to the exclusive authority of the said Tournament Committee in relation to any subject matter herein formulated.

The Lanka Premier League Tournament Committee shall have the exclusive power and authority to provide clarifications, add terms and conditions, rescind and or nullify the provisions of this Guideline as may deem necessary which however shall be without prejudice to the actions which were already taken by the Franchisees in accordance with the terms hereof.

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