

Lanka Premier League Player draft guide 2021



The Lanka Premier League Player Draft guide 2021 is a document issued by Sri Lanka Cricket to team owners & other stakeholders aiming to support the franchises to effectively select their squads.

This guide is designed to address all possible aspects of the LPL 2021 Player Draft.

Introduction

- This is the 02nd edition of squad selection event for 5 teams in the Lanka Premier League 2021
- The Draft will take place in 3 stages and will have of twenty (22) regular rounds as below:
 1. Overseas Player Draft
 2. Local Players Draft
 3. Under 19 Players Draft
- The first round will be the overseas Icon player selection category in which all teams will have the freedom to pick not more than one player outside the draft with the prior approval of LPL Tournament Committee/IPG. If not should be picked from the Draft.
- The second round will be the local Icon players who are already dedicated to respective teams (not negotiable). Local Icon players are listed in the end of this document.
- Third round will be Diamond Overseas player selection category in which all teams will have the freedom to pick not more than one player outside the draft with the prior approval of LPL Tournament Committee/IPG. If not should be pick from the Draft.

The draft flow is specified below,

Sr.No	ROUND	VALUE
1	Icon Overseas	Pre Draft/ 60000
2	Icon Local	Pre Draft/ 60000
3	Diamond Overseas	Pre Draft/ 50000
4	Gold Overseas	40000
5	Gold Overseas	25000
6	Gold Local	40000
7	Gold Local	25000
8	Gold Local	25000
9	Gold Local	25000
10	Classic Overseas	15000
11	Classic Overseas	15000
12	Classic Local	15000
13	Classic Local	15000
14	Classic Local	15000
15	Emerging Local	10000
16	Emerging Local	10000
17	Supplementary Local I	3000
18	Supplementary Local II	3000
19	Supplementary Local III	3000
20	Supplementary Local IV	3000

21	Under 19 Local	2000
22	Under 19 Local	2000

- Franchisees will be given an opportunity to retain 6 players (2 overseas & 4 Local players - if deemed by the Franchisee) who represented their respective team in the last edition of LPL 2020. The retention of 2 overseas & 4 local player is including the ICON Overseas and ICON Local Player. Franchisees must notify LPL Tournament Committee/IPG about the players and their category prior to the Draft.
- Each team can pick up to a maximum of twenty (22) players shall be considered active members of the squad. Events such as replacements due to player injuries or sudden withdrawals due to personal reasons, should be managed within the original squad of 22 players.
- During the round 15 and 16 of the draft, teams can pick only local Emerging players. Emerging players should be Under 23 as of 01st January the playing season. Any player who have represented Sri Lanka in Test, ODI or T20 cannot be picked under the emerging player categories (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 2021).
- During the round 21 and 22 of the draft, teams can pick only local Under 19 players. Based on the recommendation of Junior National Selectors of SLC, U19 players will be drafted for pick.
- At the end of the Draft, each team must have at least a minimum of 22 players on its roster (06 overseas & 16 local).
- Overseas drafted to respective categories according to the preferred rates confirmed by the players, cannot be drafted into any other category.
- All the Local players will be added to the draft without a category/reserved rate. Franchisee may pick them at their discretion during the pick order.

Squad Combination

At any given time, a playing XI must include a minimum of Three (3) overseas players and may include a maximum of Four (4) overseas players.

Player Eligibility

- **Icon & Diamond** overseas players entering into the Lanka Premier League Player Draft must be a registered cricketer within his relevant national Cricket Board or have represented his country at international cricket and must have a great repute as a globally

renowned cricket player. All Icon & Diamond players who enter the draft, are subjected to LPL Tournament Committee/IPG approval.

- All other overseas players entering the Draft must have at least played in either international cricket or major T20 franchise base cricket in full member board tournaments.
- The Lanka Premier League Tournament Committee/IPG may consider to allow additional names to the draft who have participated in the last edition but not originally included in the Draft for this year.

Pick Order

- The Lanka Premier League Player Draft pick order will be randomized and a pick order will be shared before the Draft date.
- Each team will be given two minutes to submit their picks during the Diamond and Gold rounds.
- Two minutes will be given for Classic & Emerging categories.
- 90 seconds will be given for Supplementary rounds.
- 90 seconds will be given for Under 19 rounds
- If a team fails to submit a pick within the stipulated time, the next team on the pick order shall make its pick.
- The team that exceeds the time limit shall then pick last in that particular round and additional 30 seconds will be given.
- Tournament Committee Lanka Premier League may allow for a reasonable extension to this time limit in case of technical delays.

Player Replacement

- A Player Replacement Draft may be held 10 days closer to the tournament in order to account for player unavailability's.
- A replacement player cannot be picked from a category higher or lower than the originally selected player's category.

In case, any aspect is not covered or if the document does not provide enough clarity, the Lanka Premier League Tournament Committee may add or remove details or clarifications where required.

Local Icon Players

Kandy: Niroshan Dickwella

Colombo: Kusal Janith Perera

Galle: Danushka Gunathilaka

Dambulla: Dasun Shanaka

Jaffna: Wanindu Hasaranga

All above are Subject to change if deemed necessary by Lanka Premier League Tournament Committee and Sri Lanka Cricket.