



MAHARASHTRA CRICKET ASSOCIATION

MEN/WOMEN ALL AGE GROUPS INVITATION MATCHES - REGULATIONS ON LOCAL PLAYERS **FOR SEASON 2026-27**

To: All Clubs and District Associations

Participating teams in MCA invitation matches must strictly follow the local player eligibility criteria as laid down by the Maharashtra Cricket Association.

Guidelines for Local Players:

1. Team Composition: **Each team should include minimum of eight (8) local players** in playing XI. If a team is found fielding less than 8 local players, maximum match points will be awarded to the opponent team.

2. **Definition of Local Player:**

Birth Qualification: A player born within Maharashtra Cricket Association's jurisdiction.

OR

Education Qualification / Bonafide Employment / Bonafide Residence: A player to be eligible as a local player should be studying / working / residing in the jurisdiction of Maharashtra Cricket Association for a year i.e. he / she should have been studying / working / residing in our jurisdiction, since 01.09.2025.

Documents required for considering a cricketer as a local player on the basis of education / employment / residential criteria.

Education: School / College Mark sheets for the academic years 2024-25 & 2025-26 which should be authenticated by the Principal.

Employment: Employer Certificate along with 12 month's salary slips.

Residential: Valid Passport Copy / Copy of Voters ID / Copy of Aadhaar Card (The documents should be issued, on or before 01.09.2025 in the jurisdiction of Maharashtra Cricket Association.

Players registered with another state for the BCCI Season 2025-26 will not be considered local unless they procure an NOC from their respective state association and submit it to the Maharashtra Cricket Association.

All clubs and district associations are required to ensure compliance with these regulations. Any violations will lead to strict action as deemed necessary by the MCA.

By Order

Maharashtra Cricket Association