**ECB UPDATES ON OVERSEAS PLAYERS AND MANAGED MIGRATION IN 2020**

**Date:** 8th January 2020

***Important Update - Overseas Players & Managed Migration***

*For the 2020 season one small amendment has been made to the Tier 5 ‘Coach Only’ category.  The amendment is on the ECB website under Additional Information - 'Home Office Overview', which can be found on the following page:*

[*Click for Tier 5 'Coach Only' amendment*](https://www.ecb.co.uk/governance/regulations/governing-body-endorsement?utm_campaign=1657623_Managed%20Migration%20-%20leagues%20-%209th%20January&utm_medium=Email&utm_source=Email_Clubs&utm_content=Managed%20Migration%20document&dm_t=0,0,0,0,0)

*All other rules, published in December 2018, below, remain in place for the forthcoming season. These rules allow some overseas cricketers to be eligible to play for England after living in the country for three years providing they;*

* *Have British citizenship and have either been born in England/Wales, or have three years' residence (a total of 210 days/year April-March)****and***
* *Have not played as a local player in professional, international or domestic cricket in a full member country within the past three years.*

*Under the previous rules a player would have been ineligible for a longer period; 4 or 7 years.  Questions on Governing Body Endorsements/Visas/Immigration queries to be directed to*[*managedmigration@ecb.co.uk*](mailto:managedmigration@ecb.co.uk)*.  Questions on Player Eligibility to be directed to*[*competitions@ecb.co.uk*](mailto:competitions@ecb.co.uk)*.*

*It is essential for clubs to comply with the published Visa policy and clubs receiving non-EEA migrants must abide by these rules.  The policy is written for all sports. It is not cricket specific.*

***For ECB Competitions in 2020:***

*ECB Premier League, ECB National Club Championship and National Club T20 players, without three years residency, having remained for a total of 210 days/year April- March, that entered the UK between April 2018 and March 2019, will remain eligible to play providing they have not played as a local player in professional, international or domestic cricket in a full member country within the past three years.*

*For the 2021 season Category 3E eligibility, as described above,  will be closed.*

*If you have any questions on the above, click*[*here*](mailto:managedmigration@ecb.co.uk%20%3cmanagedmigration@ecb.co.uk%3e;)*to email.*

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