

## **POLICY FOR NOMINATION OF ICA REPRESENTATIVE NOMINEES TO BCCI AND BCCI MEMBERS**

The ICA is the only body empowered to nominate representatives of ex-cricketers to the Apex Bodies and Governing Councils (where applicable) of the BCCI as well as BCCI Members.

Other than the ICA, no other entity, has the power to nominate such representatives on the Apex Bodies and Governing Councils (where applicable) of the BCCI or BCCI Members.

Pursuant to the powers provided to the General Body under Article 13 (b) of the Articles, this Policy sets out the protocols, processes and procedures for the ICA to follow when selecting and nominating the ICA Members that will serve as ICA Representative Nominees on the Apex Bodies and Governing Councils (where applicable) of the BCCI or BCCI Members.

### **1. DEFINITIONS**

1.1. In this policy, the following capitalised words shall have the meanings ascribed to them below:

1.1.1. **“Apex Body”** shall mean the Apex Council of the BCCI and the principal governing body of the relevant BCCI Member (however it may be named), as the case may be.

1.1.2. **“Articles”** shall mean the Articles of Association of the ICA.

1.1.3. **“BCCI”** shall mean the Board of Control for Cricket in India

1.1.4. **“BCCI Members”** shall mean the cricket associations that constitute the Full Members of the BCCI in accordance with the BCCI Constitution.

1.1.5. **“Effective Date”** shall mean the date on which the General Body of the ICA approves this policy.

1.1.6. **“Electoral Officer”** shall be the person of such designation duly appointed by the BCCI.

1.1.7. **“General Body”** shall mean a body of all the Members of the ICA taken together.

1.1.8. **“General Meeting”** shall mean a general meeting of the Members, as called in accordance with the Articles.

1.1.9. **“Governing Council”** shall mean the IPL Governing Council and the Governing Council of the relevant BCCI Members (where existing and applicable).

1.1.10. **“ICA”** shall mean the Indian Cricketers’ Association.

1.1.11. **“ICA Board”** shall mean the Board of Directors of the ICA.

1.1.12. **“ICA Chapter(s)”** shall mean the separate chapters of ICA that correspond to the jurisdiction of BCCI Members and within which the ICA Members are allocated based on where they hail from.

1.1.13. **“ICA Nominee Posts”** shall have the meaning ascribed to it in Clause 2.2 below.

1.1.14. **“ICA Representative Nominees”** shall mean:

- a) The male and female representatives of ICA Members and ICA Chapters that are to be nominated by the ICA to the Apex Bodies of the BCCI and BCCI Members, respectively.
- b) The representatives of ICA Members that are nominated by the ICA to the Governing Councils of the BCCI and BCCI Members (where applicable).

1.1.15. **“ICA Member”** shall mean a person who has been granted membership in and of the ICA.

1.1.16. **“IPL”** shall mean the Indian Premier League.

## **2. SCOPE, APPLICABILITY AND AMENDMENT**

2.1. This Policy shall come into effect on the Effective Date.

2.2. This Policy shall govern the selection and nomination of ICA Representative Nominees to the following posts at the BCCI and BCCI Members (**“ICA Nominee Posts”**) that become vacant after the Effective Date:

2.2.1. One (1) male ICA Representative Nominee and one (1) female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Council of the BCCI;

2.2.2. One (1) ICA Representative Nominee to the IPL Governing Council;

2.2.3. One (1) male ICA Representative Nominee and one (1) female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Body of each BCCI Member;

2.2.4. One ICA Representative Nominee to the Governing Council of each BCCI Member (where applicable).

2.3. This Policy has been approved by a resolution of the General Body and may only be amended with the approval of the General Body in a General Meeting in accordance with the Articles.

## **3. ELECTIONS**

3.1. Subject to Clauses 3.2, the ICA will in the first instance endeavour to conduct elections for any vacant ICA Nominee Post. The requisite eligibility criteria and eligible voting electorate for each ICA Nominee Post is provided in the table below:

Sl. No.	Body	Posts	Eligibility Criteria	Eligible Voting Electorate
1.	ICA Representative Nominees to BCCI and IPL	Male ICA Representative Nominee to BCCI Apex Council	a) If male, played at least 5 International Test Matches and/or at least 25 First Class Matches; or  b) if female, played at least 10 First Class Matches.	All Members named in the ICA Electoral Roll (male and female)
2.		Female ICA Representative Nominee to BCCI Apex Council		
		ICA Representative Nominee to IPL Governing Council		
3.	BCCI Member corresponding to ICA Chapters with at least ten (10) male ICA Members	Male ICA Representative Nominee to corresponding BCCI Member's Apex Council	Must belong to Corresponding ICA Chapter	All ICA Members named in the ICA Electoral Roll and allocated to such ICA Chapter (male and female)
4.	BCCI Member corresponding to ICA Chapters with at least five (5) female ICA Members	Female ICA Representative Nominee to corresponding BCCI Member's Apex Council	Must belong to Corresponding ICA Chapter	
5.	BCCI Member corresponding to ICA Chapters with at least ten (10) ICA Members, male and female.	ICA Representative Nominee to BCCI Member's Governing Council (if constituted)	Must belong to Corresponding ICA Chapter	

3.2. Elections for (i) the male ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Council of a BCCI Member will be conducted only where the corresponding ICA Chapter has at least ten (10) male ICA Members and (ii) for the female ICA Representative Nominee to the Apex Council of a BCCI Member will be conducted only where the corresponding ICA Chapter has at least five (5) female ICA Members. It is further clarified that elections for the ICA Representative Nominee to the Governing Council (where applicable) of a BCCI Member will be conducted only where the corresponding ICA Chapter has at least ten (10) ICA Members and provided that the BCCI Member concerned has constituted a Governing Council in accordance with such BCCI Member's constitution.

3.3. Where the ICA Nominee Post is to be filled by an election, such election shall be undertaken under the aegis and supervision of the Electoral Officer.

3.4. Upon a candidate being duly elected in accordance with this Clause 3, the Electoral Officer shall declare the results and the ICA Board shall inform the ICA Members as well as the

BCCI and/or the BCCI Members (as the case may be) that the candidate has been duly elected by the ICA for the relevant ICA Nominee Post.

- 3.5. Notwithstanding anything contained in this policy, an individual who has previously been elected as the ICA Representative Nominee to the IPL Governing Council and who has served a full one (1) year term, may be re-nominated by the ICA Board as the ICA Representative Nominee to the IPL Governing Council for two (2) further terms of one (1) year each, provided that each such term, including the original one (1) year term for which the individual was elected as the ICA Representative to the IPL Governing Council, are consecutive.
- 3.6. Save as specified in Clause 3.5 above, the ICA Board will nominate ICA Representative Nominees in the following circumstances to the ICA Nominee Posts:
- (i) Any ICA Nominee Post for which there is an inadequate pool of ICA Members to vote (as per Clause 3.1 and 3.2 above);
  - (ii) Any ICA Nominee Post in respect of which no eligible nominations to contest elections are received after completion of the election nomination and scrutiny process;
  - (iii) Any ICA Nominee Post (other than the ICA Representative Nominee to the IPL Governing Council) which would otherwise be subject to an election in accordance with Clause 3.2 but becomes vacant mid-term for any reason with less than eighteen (18) months remaining on the original term for which it was filled;
  - (iv) The post of ICA Representative Nominee to the IPL General Council becomes vacant for any reason with less than six (6) months remaining on the original term for which it was filled.

#### **4. NOMINATION BY ICA BOARD**

- 4.1. The ICA Board shall adopt the following process in nominating an ICA Representative Nominee to any vacant ICA Nominee Posts:
- 4.1.1. Subject to Clause 4.2.2 below, the ICA Board shall create a shortlist comprising of a minimum of three (3) ICA Members and a maximum of five (5) ICA Members who satisfy the eligibility criteria to be elected for such ICA Nominee Post as per Clause 3.1 above (“**Shortlist**”).
  - 4.1.2. In the event that a vacant ICA Nominee Post is in a BCCI Member that corresponds to an ICA Chapter that does not have any ICA Members or does not have at least three (3) ICA Members that fulfil the eligibility criteria provided in Clause 3.1, the ICA Board may include in the Shortlist, ICA Members from an ICA Chapter that corresponds to a neighbouring or proximately close BCCI Member.
  - 4.1.3. The ICA Board may put out a notice on the ICA website indicating its intention to compile the Shortlist, inviting eligible ICA Members (as per Clause 4.2.1 and Clause 4.2.2) to either apply themselves for consideration or nominate another eligible person as an ICA Representative Nominee. The ICA Board shall compile the Shortlist of candidates from among the applications made and also from nominations received from ICA Members and members of the ICA Board.

- 4.1.4. In compiling the Shortlist and in ranking the candidates thereon, each member of the ICA Board shall examine and score the candidates using a combination of the following criteria:
- 1) International and/or first-class playing experience;
  - 2) Seniority in age;
  - 3) Administrative and governance experience;
  - 4) Track record in promoting or developing cricket after conclusion of playing career;
  - 5) Demonstrated commitment to furthering the cause of ICA and cricket players;
  - 6) Sufficient time to effectively carry out their duties;
  - 7) Ability to contribute to the ICA's working relationship with the BCCI or the BCCI Member (as the case may be);
  - 8) Independence; and
  - 9) Special expertise or local knowledge.
- 4.1.5. The ICA Board may choose to conduct interviews with the candidates or to request documentary evidence to make its determinations when compiling and scoring candidates on the Shortlist.
- 4.1.6. In order to compile the rankings, the scores attributed to each of those on the Shortlist by the ICA Board members shall be aggregated, provided that the highest and lowest scores attributed by ICA Board members shall not be considered when compiling such aggregate.
- 4.1.7. The ICA Board shall contact the candidates in the final ranking order in which they have been placed on the Shortlist to determine their willingness to accept the nomination and to confirm that there will be no conflict of interest that would ensue from the candidate accepting the role. In the event that any candidate declines to be nominated, the ICA Board shall contact the next candidate by rank on the Shortlist and so on, until a candidate accepts the nomination.
- 4.1.8. In the event that none of the candidates on the Shortlist agrees to be nominated, the ICA Board shall restart the nomination process and undertake the procedures prescribed in Clauses 4.2.1 to 4.2.7 until it identifies a candidate that is willing to accept nomination to the vacant ICA Nominee Post.
- 4.1.9. The Candidate selected by the ICA Board shall be required to provide a signed written declaration that he/she will not be in breach of the conflict of interest provisions specified in the ICA Ethics Code, the BCCI constitution or the relevant BCCI Member's constitution (as the case may be) by virtue of being nominated to the ICA Nominee Post and that he/she is otherwise not disqualified from being on the Apex Body of the BCCI or the BCCI Member (as the case may be). The written declaration shall be in the form specified in Annexure 1 hereto.
- 4.1.10. Upon the candidate providing such declaration, the ICA Board shall stand duly nominated and the ICA Board will inform the Electoral Officer of the nomination. The nomination shall then be communicated to the ICA Members, the BCCI and the BCCI Member (as the case may be).

4.1.11. The ICA Board shall follow democratic principles and procedures and principles of natural justice in compiling and ranking the Shortlist and selecting the ICA Representative Nominee. All decisions in this regard shall be affirmed by a vote of all ICA Board members and where a decision is not unanimous shall be determined by voting by a simple majority of the ICA Board.

**ANNEXURE 1**  
**WRITTEN DECLARATION**

To,

Hon. Secretary  
Indian Cricketers' Association

Dear Sir,

Sub: Declaration in respect of my nomination as \_\_\_\_\_ to  
BCCI/\_\_\_\_\_ (BCCI Member)

1. I, Mr./Ms./\_\_\_\_\_, S/o, W/o, D/o  
\_\_\_\_\_, aged \_\_\_\_\_ years and residing at,  
\_\_\_\_\_  
hereby agree to my nomination by the ICA Board of Directors as  
\_\_\_\_\_(Insert Post) to BCCI/\_\_\_\_\_ (Insert name of  
BCCI Member, if applicable)

2. Further, I hereby confirm and solemnly affirm that:

- (a) I am a citizen of India;
- (b) I have not attained the age of seventy (70) years;
- (c) I have not been declared to be insolvent or of unsound mind;
- (d) I am not a Minister or Government Servant and I do not hold a public office except under a 'Sports Quota' and that if I am employed by a Government/Public Sector undertaking under 'Sports Quota', I am submitting herewith a certificate from such Government/Public Sector employer stating that I am employed with such entity under the 'Sports Quota';
- (e) I do not hold any office or post in a sports or athletic association or federation apart from cricket;
- (f) I have not been charged by a Court of Law for having committed any criminal offence i.e. no court of law has passed any order framing charges against me;
- (g) I will be subject to the BCCI Member's Constitution (if applicable) and BCCI Rules and Regulations, including the rules relating to Conflict of Interest as specified under Rule 38 of the BCCI Constitution, and I am currently not in breach of the same and further, I will abide by the same. In particular, I agree and acknowledge that I am prohibited from owning a cricket academy or being an Office Bearer of the BCCI or another BCCI Member

while holding the Post ascribed above;

- (h) I will be subject to the ICA's Code of Ethics and I am currently not in breach of the same and further, I will abide by the same;
- (i) I have not been an Office Bearer of the BCCI or a BCCI Member previously and if I have been an Office Bearer of the BCCI or a BCCI Member previously:
  - i. I am submitting a self-attested information sheet specifying all such positions held by me in the BCCI and any BCCI Member previously;
  - ii. I have not functioned as an Office Bearer in any BCCI Member for a cumulative period of 9 years;
  - iii. I am not required to undergo a cooling off period of 3 years in accordance with the BCCI Rules and Regulations.

- 3. In addition, I solemnly affirm that the information provided above is to the best of my knowledge and understanding. I hereby understand that the information provided by me herein may be independently verified for accuracy, truthfulness and completeness by the ICA Board of Directors and in the event that it is found that I have acted fraudulently or misrepresented any information herein, my nomination to the post specified above may be annulled by the ICA Board of Directors.

Sincerely,

Name:

Date:

Place: