

Regulations Governing the Appointment of Umpires

1 nPower Test Matches

1.1 Referee

The ICC will appoint an independent Referee for all nPower Test Matches. The Referee's powers and duties are as set out in the official ICC booklet dated November 2000.

1.2 Umpires

- (a) ICC will appoint one Umpire from the International Panel to stand in each nPower Test Match.
- (b) The ECB Appointment of Umpires Sub-Committee shall appoint the other Umpire to officiate in each nPower Test Match.
- (c) Test Match Umpires will be nominated by the ECB Appointment of Umpires Sub-Committee from those Umpires officiating in First Class matches during the current season.
- (d) As long as possible before each nPower Test Match, ICC will advise the ECB of the name of its appointee, who will in turn advise the Manager of the relevant touring team of both umpires' names.
- (e) The ECB shall also appoint third and fourth Umpires, using the procedures in (b) and (c) above.
- (f) The third Umpire will officiate in regard to TV replays only when the Umpires on the field have referred a decision to him in regard to hit wicket, run out, caught or stumping appeals, boundary decisions and batsmen running to the same end and any other decisions as determined from time to time by ICC.
- (g) All Umpires shall report themselves to the ground authority not later than 4.30pm on the day prior to the match, and not later than 9.00am on each day of the match, unless instructed otherwise by the ground authority or by ECB

- (h) Neither team will have a right of objection to an Umpire's appointment.

2 First Class Tour Matches and One-day Tour Matches

Umpires will be appointed by ECB from those Umpires officiating in First Class matches during the current season. They shall report themselves to the ground authority not later than 10.00am on the first day and, by mutual agreement with each other, one Umpire shall report no later than 9.30am and the other no later than 10.00am on succeeding days of First Class Tour Matches.

3 County Championship and other First Class Matches

Umpires will be appointed by ECB They shall report themselves to the Ground Authority no later than 10.00am on the first day of the match and, by mutual agreement with each other, one Umpire shall report no later than 9.30am and the other no later than 10.00am on succeeding days. (These timings shall be advanced by 30 minutes in respect of County Championship matches scheduled to start in September.)

Before leaving the ground after Cessation of Play, the Umpires shall ensure that the minimum covering of the pitch and surrounding areas as laid down in the Playing Conditions, and any necessary renovation of foot holes, have been carried out to their satisfaction.