



PMOA PROTOCOL – 2026

IPL will be conducted using the BCCI's Minimum Standards for Players and Match Officials Areas at IPL Matches ("Minimum Standards for PMOA"). This document is available in the regulations section and on the IPL website.

Two BCCI Anti-Corruption Managers, appointed by the Head of the BCCI Anti-Corruption and Security Unit ("BCCI ACSU"), will be responsible for the management of the Players and Match Officials Area ("PMOA"). They will ensure that proper arrangements are in place and that security personnel are fully briefed.

The below guidelines should be read in conjunction with Minimum Standards for PMOA. These rules will be in force at least 30 minutes before arrival of the team's/team advance party.

In the IPL (as in all International matches played under the auspices of ICC), the PMOA is treated as a separate area from the rest of a stadium in terms of accreditation and security. Each entrance into the area will be manned by security staff at all times and access will only be permitted to players, player support staff, match officials, match official support personnel and a limited number of individuals who have been allocated specific accreditation for the area.

The PMOA area is defined as the following:

- Dressing Rooms;
- Players' external match viewing areas;
- TV/Third Umpire area;
- Match Referee's room;
- Players' and Match Officials' dining areas;
- Dugouts; and
- Any other area identified by the BCCI Anti-Corruption and Security Manager.

The Dressing Rooms are solely for players and player support staff. Players and player support staff will be provided with team accreditation which they must wear to travel on the team bus and show to security on their arrival at the venue. The team SLO should ensure that no person without a team accreditation is permitted to travel in the team bus on match days.

The BCCI Anti-Corruption and Security Manager will check Players accreditation and can refuse entry to anyone not wearing a valid accreditation. Once in the Dressing Room area players and player support staff may remove their accreditation as long as they remain at all times within any of the PMOA, the nets, practice areas or field of play.

(Note: Once inside the PMOA, players, player support staff and Match Officials should not leave the PMOA or the Playing Areas at any time before the conclusion of the match, without the prior permission of the BCCI Anti-Corruption and Security Manager).



ACCREDITATION

Only those personnel appropriately accredited will be allowed access to the PMOA and field of play. Accreditation boards showing images of individuals permitted to enter PMOA will be at the relevant entrances.

PHONES

Mobile Phones and other electronic communications equipment are not allowed to be used in the PMOA other than for a few members of the team.

- The Team Manager may use a phone in the Dressing Room area but NOT in the Dugout.
- The Analyst may use his computer at the analyst table.
- Player and support staff items i.e. phones, smart watches or any other communication devices should be turned off and given to the team SLO for storage on arrival at the stadium.
- Accredited staff i.e. dressing room attendant, IPL Match Manager, catering staff etc may not take communication devices into the PMOA. Secure boxes will be available at every entrance to securely store devices.

WALKIE TALKIES

Teams may use walkie-talkie devices to communicate between the Dressing Room and Dugout only. The use of walkie-talkies by any player support personnel between the Dressing Room and the Dugout must be in accordance with Clause 4.3 of the Minimum Standards for PMOA and Clause 41.19 of the Match Playing Conditions.

FRANCHISE STAFF AND OWNERS

Franchise staff (e.g. CEO, sponsorship, operations managers and owners etc) may not communicate with players, player support personnel or Match Officials or enter the PMOA (without appropriate clearance by BCCI Anti-Corruption Managers) once the players have arrived at the stadium until the conclusion of the match. This includes between the end of a match and the start of a super over (should one take place). Similarly, players may not communicate with franchise staff who are not part of the team support staff.

An Owners seating area (Owner's Pod) may be available for up to 3 owners. Owners will require additional accreditation to access the Owner's Pod.