

**THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION
MEN'S PLAYERS - POINTS BASED SYSTEM
2020/2021 SEASON (1 JANUARY 2021 ONWARDS)**

The rules and criteria set out in this document will apply for the remainder of the 2020/21 season and will be effective from 1 January 2021. The criteria will be reviewed in early 2021 in order that revised criteria can be issued in advance of the summer transfer window before the 2021/22 season.

For any queries regarding these criteria or the application process, please contact Freddie Carter (Player Status Department) at Freddie.Carter@thefa.com (or registrations@thefa.com) or on 0844 980 8200 # 4818.

Please note that this guidance should be reviewed in conjunction with the relevant advice issued by the Home Office. The FA is not registered to give advice on immigration routes or processes or to advise on an individual's immigration status and clubs should fully apprise themselves of their duties and responsibilities as sponsors. Information on aspects of immigration policy and law can be found on the Home Office website at www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration. You may also wish to seek advice from an Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner (OISC) registered advisor or someone who is appropriately qualified but otherwise exempt from such a registration requirement, for example, a qualified solicitor. The UK Visas and Immigration Centre can be contacted on 0300 123 2241.

If a club is seeking a GBE during a transfer window, any application should be submitted to The FA by midday on the relevant transfer deadline day (at the latest) in order for The FA to process the application that day. If a club signs and registers a Player who does not have a GBE, it should do so in the knowledge that the Player may not be granted a GBE if his application does not comply with the terms of these criteria and the Player may not be able to undertake any employment duties for the applicant club. Clubs are also advised to allow sufficient time for entry clearance or leave to remain to be granted. The time taken may vary depending upon where the player is making his application from. A guide to visa processing times is available on the Home Office website at: www.gov.uk/visa-processingtimes.

Please note that an individual's personal and immigration history may be taken into account when their application is being considered.

GLOSSARY

Aggregated FIFA World Rankings means the aggregated rankings list for senior men's international teams over the International Reference Period that are published by The FA following publication of the FIFA World Rankings. This list is available on www.TheFA.com.

Auto Pass Percentage means the percentage set out in Table 1 of this criteria.

Available B Team Minutes means the total number of minutes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any injury time or added time) played by the B Team of the Youth Player's Last Club in the Last Season, minus the number of minutes that the Youth Player was Unavailable for Selection. If the Youth Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Last Season, the Available B Team Minutes for each club should be calculated by reference to the period of time the Youth Player was registered (or on loan) for each club during the Last Season. For the purposes of paragraph 45 (*Youth - League Quality of Player's Current Club*), Available B Team Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

Available Band 1 Youth Internationals means the total number of matches played by the Young Player's National Association during the Reference Period in the Band 1 Youth Internationals the Young Player was eligible to play in, minus the number of matches that the Player was Unavailable for Selection. For the avoidance of doubt, a player who is eligible to play in specific age group matches (for example U17) shall not also be considered to be eligible to play in any older age groups matches unless he has appeared on the matchday squad list for that age group for at least one match during the Reference Period, in which case he shall be considered eligible to play in all matches for that age group from that date onwards until the end of the Reference Period.

Available Band 2 Youth Internationals means the total number of matches played by the Young Player's National Association during the Reference Period in the Band 2 Youth Internationals the Young Player was eligible to play in, minus the number of matches that the Player was Unavailable for Selection. For the avoidance of doubt, a player who is eligible to play in specific age group matches (for example U17) shall not also be considered to be eligible to play in any older age groups matches unless he has appeared on the matchday squad list for that age group for at least one match during the Reference Period, in which case he shall be considered eligible to play in all matches for that age group from that date onwards until the end of the Reference Period.

Available Continental Minutes means the total number of minutes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any injury time or added time) played by the Player's club in a Continental Competition during the Reference Period, minus the number of minutes that the Player was Unavailable for Selection. If the Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Reference Period, the Available Continental Minutes for each club should be calculated by reference to the period of time the Player was registered (or on loan) for each club during the Reference Period.

Available CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes means the total number of minutes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any injury time or added time) played by the Youth Player's Last Club in the CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores in the Last Season, minus the number of minutes that the Youth Player was Unavailable for Selection. If the Youth Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Last Season, the Available CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes for each club should be calculated by reference to the period of time the Youth Player was registered (or on loan) for each club during the Last Season. For the purposes of paragraph 45 (*Youth - League Quality of Player's Current Club*), Available CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

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Available Domestic Cup Minutes means the total number of minutes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any injury time or added time) played by the Player's club in a Domestic Cup during the Last Season, minus the number of minutes that the Player was Unavailable for Selection. If the Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Last Season, the Available Domestic Cup Minutes for each club should be calculated by reference to the period of time the Player was registered (or on loan) for each club during the Last Season. For the purposes of paragraph 38 (*League Quality of Player's Current Club*), Available Domestic Cup Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

Available Domestic Minutes means the total number of minutes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any injury time or added time) played by the Player's club in its domestic league competition during the Reference Period, minus the number of minutes that the Player was Unavailable for Selection. If the Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Reference Period, the Available Domestic Minutes for each club should be calculated by reference to the period of time the Player was registered (or on loan) for each club during the Reference Period.

Available International Matches means the total number of matches played by the Player's National Association in Senior Competitive International Matches during the International Reference Period, minus the number of matches that the Player was Unavailable for Selection. If less than 30% of the matches played by the Player's National Association during the International Reference Period were Senior Competitive International Matches, Available International Matches shall also include International Friendlies.

Available UEFA Youth League Minutes means the total number of minutes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any injury time or added time) played by the Youth Player's Last Club in the UEFA Youth League in the Last Season, minus the number of minutes that the Youth Player was Unavailable for Selection. If the Youth Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Last Season, the Available UEFA Youth League Minutes for each club should be calculated by reference to the period of time the Youth Player was registered (or on loan) for each club during the Last Season. For the purposes of paragraph 45 (*Youth - League Quality of Player's Current Club*), Available UEFA Youth League Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

Available Youth Competition Minutes means the total number of minutes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any injury time or added time) played by the Youth Player's Last Club in Youth Competitions in the Last Season, minus the number of minutes that the Youth Player was Unavailable for Selection. If the Youth Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Last Season, the Available Youth Competition Minutes for each club should be calculated by reference to the period of time the Youth Player was registered (or on loan) for each club during the Last Season. For the purposes of paragraph 45 (*Youth - League Quality of Player's Current Club*), Available Youth Competition Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

B Team means a secondary team of a club which plays in a lower domestic professional division within the same league structure as the club's first team.

Band 1 means the English Premier League, the Bundesliga, La Liga, Serie A and Ligue 1.

Band 1 Continental Competition means the UEFA Champions League and the Copa Libertadores.

Band 1 Youth Internationals means any match played by the Youth Player's National Association in the following tournaments:

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- 1) FIFA U20 World Cup Finals;
- 2) FIFA U17 World Cup Finals;
- 3) UEFA U21 European Championships;
- 4) UEFA U19 European Championships;
- 5) UEFA U17 European Championships;
- 6) CONMEBOL U20 South American Youth Football Championship;
- 7) CONMEBOL U17 South American Youth Football Championship;
- 8) CAF U20 African Cup of Nations;
- 9) CAF U17 African Cup of Nations;
- 10) CAF U23 Championship;
- 11) AFC U23 Asia Nations Cup;
- 12) AFC U20 Asia Nations Cup;
- 13) AFC U17 Asia Nations Cup;
- 14) CONCACAF U20 Championship;
- 15) CONCACAF U17 Championship;
- 16) OFC U20 Championship;
- 17) OFC U17 Championship;
- 18) Olympic Games; and
- 19) Toulon Tournament.

Band 2 means the Portuguese Primeira Liga, Eredivisie, Belgian First Division A, the Turkish Super Lig and the English Championship.

Band 2 Continental Competition means the UEFA Europa League and the Copa Sudamerica.

Band 2 Youth Internationals means any match played by the Youth Player's National Association in order to qualify for a Band 1 Youth International or any other competitive match played by the U17 – U23 teams of the Youth Player's National Association.

Band 3 means the Russian Premier League, Campeonato Brasileiro Série A, Primera División of Argentina, Liga MX and the Scottish Premiership.

Band 3 Continental Competition means any continental competition which is not a Band 1 Continental Competition or Band 2 Continental Competition.

Band 4 means the Czech First League, Croatian First Football League, the Swiss Super League, La Liga 2, Bundesliga 2, Ukrainian Premier League, the Greek Superleague, the Colombian Categoría Primera A, the USA's Major League Soccer, the Austrian Football Bundesliga and Ligue 2.

Band 5 means the Serbian SuperLiga, the Danish Superliga, the Polish Ekstraklasa, the Slovenian PrvaLiga, the Chilean Primera División, the Uruguayan Primera División and the Chinese Super League.

Band 6 means all leagues not in Band 1, Band 2, Band 3, Band 4 or Band 5.

Certificate of Sponsorship means a certificate assigned to a Player pursuant to a club's Sponsor's Licence.

CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores means the youth football competition organised by the South American Football Confederation.

Continental Competition means a Band 1 Continental Competition, a Band 2 Continental Competition or a Band 3 Continental Competition.

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Continental Progression means the progress made by the Player's Last Club in a Continental Competition in the Last Season.

Current Club means:

- 1) the Player's Last Club, if the application for a GBE is made after the club the Player plays for as at the date of the application has completed its season; or
- 2) the club the Player is playing for as at the date the application is made, if the application for a GBE is made before the club the Player plays for as at the date of the application has completed its season (i.e. mid-season).

Domestic Cup means any domestic cup competition which is open to clubs in the country's top domestic division and provides a route for qualification to a Band 1 Continental Competition or Band 2 Continental Competition.

English Club means a club affiliated to The FA.

Exceptions Panel means a panel appointed by The FA to consider an application for a GBE in accordance with paragraphs 47-56.

Extended GBE means a new GBE applied for by a Club in respect of a Player who has already received a GBE for that Club which is due to expire.

FIFA means the Fédération Internationale de Football Association.

Final League Position means the final league position of the Player's Last Club at the end of the Last Season. If the Last Season did not finish but a final league table was compiled, the Last Club's league position shall be taken from that final league table.

GBE means Governing Body Endorsement.

Home Associations means The Scottish Football Association, the Football Association of Wales and The Irish Football Association.

International Friendlies means any match played by the National Association's senior team which is not a Senior Competitive International Match.

International Reference Period means:

- 1) the twenty four months prior to the date of the application for a GBE, if the Player is not a Youth Player; or
- 2) the twelve months prior to the date of the application for a GBE, if the Player is a Youth Player.

Last Club means the club the Player played for in the Last Season. If the Player played for two (or more) clubs during the Last Season, the Player's Last Club is the club the Player played for at the end of the Last Season.

Last Season means the last full season prior to the date of the application for a GBE.

National Association means a football association that is a member of, and recognised by, FIFA.

PBS means the Home Office Points Based System.

Player means any player who is not a citizen of the United Kingdom or Ireland and has not acquired permanent residence in the United Kingdom, been granted pre-settled status or settled status under

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the EU Settlement Scheme and who is not (and will not become) eligible to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme (and who has until 30 June 2021 to do so).

Player's Domestic Cup Minutes means the percentage of Available Domestic Cup Minutes the Player played in. If the Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Last Season, the Player's Domestic Cup Minutes shall be calculated for each club and an average of those percentages should then be calculated. For the purposes of paragraph 38 (*League Quality of Player's Current Club*), Available Domestic Cup Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

Player's Domestic Minutes means the percentage of Available Domestic Minutes the Player played in. If the Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Reference Period, the Player's Domestic Minutes shall be calculated for each club and an average of those percentages should then be calculated.

Player's Continental Minutes means the percentage of Available Continental Minutes the Player played in. If the Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Reference Period, the Player's Continental Minutes shall be calculated for each club and an average of those percentages should then be calculated. If only one of the clubs played in a Continental Competition, the Player's Continental Minutes shall be the percentage the Player played in for that club.

Player's International Appearances means the percentage of Available International Matches the Player played in.

Player's National Association means the National Association the Player plays for, or has declared for, as at the date of the application for a GBE.

Reference Period means the twelve months prior to the date of the application for a GBE.

Relevant Interested Parties means a representative of (i) the league in which the Player plays, or will play if the application for a GBE is successful, and (ii) the Professional Footballers' Association.

Season means the period commencing on the date of the first match of the Premier League or English Football League and ending on the date of the last match of the Premier League or English Football League.

Senior Competitive International Matches means any match played by the National Association's senior team in the following tournaments:

- 1) FIFA World Cup Finals;
- 2) FIFA World Cup Qualifying Groups;
- 3) FIFA Confederations Cup; and
- 4) Continental Cup Qualifiers and Finals, including but not limited to:
 - a. UEFA European Championships and Qualifiers;
 - b. UEFA Nations League Groups and Final Stages;
 - c. CAF African Cup of Nations and Qualifiers;
 - d. AFC Asia Nations Cup and Qualifiers;
 - e. CONCACAF Gold Cup;
 - f. CONCACAF Copa Caribe;
 - g. UNCAF Nations Cup;
 - h. CONMEBOL Copa America; and
 - i. OFC Nations Cup.

Sponsor's Licence means a licence obtained from the Home Office under the PBS.

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Stakeholders means The FA, The Premier League, The English Football League and The Professional Footballers' Association.

Tier 2 means T2 Sportsperson.

Tier 5 means T5 (Temporary worker – Creative and Sporting).

The FA means the Football Association.

Unavailable for Selection means the player was not available to play due to injury, on-field suspension or any other circumstances which would prevent the player from physically entering the field of play. For the avoidance of doubt, a player may not be classed as injured (and therefore Unavailable for Selection) if he was listed as a substitute in a match and was not used and such matches may not be eligible for exclusion when calculating the Available Minutes (as applicable). In international competitions where players are listed as substitutes regardless of whether or not they are injured, players may be classed as injured (and therefore Unavailable for Selection) if sufficient evidence is provided of their injury.

UEFA Youth League means the youth football competition ordered by the Union of European Football Associations.

Youth Competition means a top domestic youth league as defined by the relevant National Association or professional league as appropriate.

Youth Player means a Player who is under 21 as at the date the application for a GBE is made.

Youth Player's Band 1 International Appearances means the percentage of Available Band 1 Youth Internationals the Youth Player played in.

Youth Player's Band 2 International Appearances means the percentage of Available Band 2 Youth Internationals the Youth Player played in.

Youth Player's B Team Minutes means the percentage of Available B Team Minutes the Youth Player played in. If the Youth Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Reference Period, the Youth Player's B Team Minutes shall be calculated for each club and an average of those percentages should then be calculated (provided that each club had a B Team). If only one of the clubs had a B Team, the Youth Player's B Team Minutes shall be the percentage the Youth Player played in for that club. For the purposes of paragraph 45 (*Youth - League Quality of Player's Current Club*), the Youth Player's B Team Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes means the percentage of Available CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes the Youth Player played in. If the Youth Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Reference Period, the Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes shall be calculated for each club and an average of those percentages should then be calculated (provided that each club participated in the CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores). If only one of the clubs participated in the CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores, the Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes shall be the percentage the Youth Player played in for that club. For the purposes of paragraph 45 (*Youth - League Quality of Player's Current Club*), the Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes means the percentage of Available UEFA Youth League Minutes the Youth Player played in. If the Youth Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Reference Period, the Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes shall be calculated for each club

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and an average of those percentages should then be calculated (provided that each club participated in the UEFA Youth League). If only one of the clubs participated in the UEFA Youth League, the Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes shall be the percentage the Youth Player played in for that club. For the purposes of paragraph 45 (*Youth - League Quality of Player's Current Club*), the Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes means the percentage of Available Youth Competition Minutes the Youth Player played in. If the Youth Player has played for two (or more) clubs during the Reference Period, the Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes shall be calculated for each club and an average of those percentages should then be calculated (provided that each club participated in a Youth Competition). If only one of the clubs participated in a Youth Competition, the Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes shall be the percentage the Youth Player played in for that club. For the purposes of paragraph 45 (*Youth - League Quality of Player's Current Club*), the Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes shall be calculated by reference to the Reference Period rather than Last Season.

GOVERNING BODY ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS

GBE STATUS

1. A club must obtain a GBE from The FA before a Player is permitted to undertake any employment duties for the club (including participation at training and in friendly matches). A Player can register for a club without a GBE but, in order to play any football, he must have obtained a GBE, been assigned a Certificate of Sponsorship by that club and secured leave to remain under Tiers 2 or 5 of the PBS (subject to satisfying any other eligibility requirements of The FA and any competitions the club participates in).
2. A club can apply for a GBE for a Player at any time during the Season. In order to apply for a GBE, a club must hold a valid Sponsor's Licence under Tier 2 and/or Tier 5 of the PBS. In order to apply for and obtain a valid Sponsor's Licence, a club must have obtained an endorsement letter for a Sponsor's Licence from the FA. If a Club's Sponsor's Licence is revoked, any Player who has obtained a GBE in order to play for the Club may have his leave curtailed and may have to make a change in employment application which must be granted before the Player can undertake any employment duties for the new club.
3. Clubs in the Premier League or English Football League are eligible for a Sponsor's Licence. Clubs in other leagues within the men's football pyramid are not permitted to field Players unless:
 - a) The Player has obtained a visa outside the GBE system which permits them to play football (on such terms as they in fact play); and
 - b) The Player's employment by the club complies with the terms and conditions of their visa and any relevant immigration law, including the Immigration Rules (or any successor legislation), and including but not limited to in relation to the requirements regarding professional sportspersons.
4. If The FA grants an application for a GBE for a Player in accordance with these criteria, the club is permitted to assign a Certificate of Sponsorship to the Player for the period covered by the GBE. The GBE must be presented to the Home Office when the club applies for entry clearance on behalf of a player, which must be done within 3 months of a Certificate of Sponsorship being assigned. Any Certificate of Sponsorship and a copy of the player's biometric residence permit must be submitted to The FA by the club within 3 months of

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being assigned. Clubs must keep a copy of the relevant page of the Player's passport evidencing their entitlement to work and contact details for the Player, which must be provided to The FA upon request. The club will also have to comply with any other criteria set by the Home Office in order to secure leave to remain under Tier 2 or Tier 5 of the PBS.

5. A GBE under Tier 2 of the PBS will be granted for three years or the length of the player's contract (whichever is shorter) and a GBE under Tier 5 of the PBS will be granted for twelve months or the length of the player's contract (whichever is shorter). A Player will not be eligible to play for the club beyond the expiry date of the GBE unless the club has applied for and obtained an Extended GBE before the existing GBE has expired in accordance with these criteria and the PBS.

Extensions to or transfers of a GBE

6. An Extended GBE under Tier 2 of the PBS can be obtained for three years or the length of the player's contract (whichever is shorter). If a GBE was granted for less than twelve months under Tier 5 of the PBS, an Extended GBE can be obtained to extend the period of the Player's GBE to a total of twelve months and the application can be made within the country. If a Club wishes to grant an Extended GBE under Tier 5 of the PBS to extend the period of the Player's GBE to over twelve months, the Player must leave the country before the expiry of the twelve month period and make an application for an Extended GBE under Tier 5 of the PBS.
7. A Player who has been granted a GBE under Tier 5 of the PBS can apply (in country) to transfer to a GBE under Tier 2 of the PBS, provided that application is made within twelve months of the Tier 5 GBE being granted. The club must submit a new application for a GBE and provide a pass certificate, or other written confirmation containing an appropriate reference number, from an accredited English language test centre that the Player has passed the English language test required to secure leave to remain under Tier 2 of the PBS (in addition to the documents listed in paragraph 18).
8. A Player who has been granted a GBE must submit a new application for a GBE if he wishes to permanently transfer (or has permanently transferred) to another club. If the GBE is granted, the player must submit a change of employment application to the Home Office, which must be granted before the Player can undertake any employment duties for the new club.
9. Any application for an Extended GBE (in accordance with paragraph 6), a transfer of a GBE (in accordance with paragraph 7) or a new club application for a GBE (in accordance with paragraph 8) shall be considered as follows:
 - a) If the Player's International Appearances meet the Auto Pass Percentage set out in Table 1 of the criteria, a new or Extended GBE will be granted (as appropriate).
 - b) If the Player's International Appearances do not meet the Auto Pass Percentage set out in Table 1 of the criteria, the club must submit details of the Player's Domestic Available Minutes for the last 12 months and any other information which it considers to be relevant to its application to The FA. The FA will then provide this information to the Relevant Interested Parties by email. The FA and the Relevant Interested Parties shall consider this information, and any other information which they deem to be relevant in their absolute discretion, to determine whether the player remains of sufficient quality to be awarded a GBE. The FA and the Relevant

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Interested Parties shall make a decision by simple majority and if a majority of The FA and the Relevant Interested Parties recommend that the player should be awarded a GBE, a new or Extended GBE will be granted (as appropriate).

- c) The player shall not have a new or Extended GBE granted (as appropriate) other than in accordance with paragraphs 9.a) or 9.b) above.

10. If a Player:

- a) does not turn up for employment;
- b) is absent for more than 10 working days without permission;
- c) has his contract terminated during the period that a GBE is effective;
- d) is no longer sponsored by the club for any other reason; or
- e) experiences significant changes in his circumstances (such as a change in job title, salary or location of employment),

the club must inform the Home Office within 10 days.

- 11. The club must also inform the Home Office if there is a change of circumstances at the club within 20 working days. A change in circumstances might include changes of name, address or contact details, changes in structure (including mergers, takeovers and de-mergers), changes in financial circumstances (such as administration, receivership, company voluntary arrangement, debt arrangement scheme, liquidation or sequestration).

Temporary Transfers/Loans

- 12. If a Player who has been granted a GBE in accordance with these criteria is loaned to another club during the period of validity of the GBE, the Player's club must notify the Home Office of the loan and change of location via the Sponsor Management System within 10 working days (regardless of the jurisdiction in which the loanee club is based). The loaning club will retain responsibility as the Player's sponsor.
- 13. If a Player is loaned from an English Club to another English Club (a "**Domestic Loan**"), no GBE application will be required by the loanee club. If the Player is loaned from an English Club to a club affiliated to another Home Association, or another National Association, the governing body endorsement process of that association will have to be satisfied by the loanee club.
- 14. If a Domestic Loan is made permanent, the new club will be required to submit an application for a GBE (which must comply with the requirements set out in these criteria). If the GBE is granted, the player will need to make a change of employment application. Provided the Domestic Loan continues until the date on which the change of employment application is granted, the Player can continue to play for the new club in the interim period.
- 15. If a Player is loaned from a club affiliated to another National Association (including any Home Nation) to an English Club, a GBE application will be required (which must comply with the requirements set out in these criteria).
- 16. When a Player returns to his parent club after a loan period, no GBE application will be required by the parent club (provided the GBE remains valid beyond the date of the Player's return).
- 17. GBEs will not be issued in respect of Players who are trialling with an English Club. If a Club wishes to trial a Player, it should contact the Home Office.

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APPLICATION PROCESS

18. A club must submit any application for a GBE to The FA's Player Status Department along with any evidence in support of the application, including:
 - a) A fully completed application form (see Appendix 1).
 - b) A fully completed application spreadsheet (see Appendix 2).
 - c) Written evidence to support any claim made by the applicant club that a Player was Unavailable for Selection for a particular match, including the reason(s).
 - d) Written evidence to support any claim made by the applicant club that exceptional circumstances prevented the Player from achieving 15 points (where appropriate, in accordance with paragraph 26).
19. If a club claims that a Player was Unavailable for Selection for any reason other than injury or on-field suspension, the matter will be referred to a legally qualified chair of the Exceptions Panel to determine whether the player shall be deemed Unavailable for Selection for the relevant matches and/or period. Any decision made by a chair of the Exceptions Panel under this paragraph shall be final and binding.
20. The club must also pay an administration fee of £500 plus VAT for each application within 14 days of the date on which the decision is communicated to the club. Each club shall bear its own costs in respect of any application.
21. If any information submitted as part of the GBE application process is amended (including the terms and conditions of a Player's contract):
 - a) before a GBE has granted and before the Player is registered with The FA, the club must inform The FA who may require a new application to be submitted (and a new fee to be paid);
 - b) after a GBE has been granted but before the Player is registered with The FA, the club must inform The FA who may require a new application to be submitted (and a new fee to be paid);
 - c) after a GBE has been granted and after the Player is registered, the club must inform the Home Office via the Sponsorship Management System. The Home Office will confirm whether they require a new application to be submitted (and a new fee to be paid).
22. If a new application is required in accordance with paragraph 21, it will be assessed by reference to the criteria set out in this document and the Club must comply with paragraphs 18-20 of these criteria in respect of the new application. The FA may also inform the Home Office who may curtail the Player's right to work.

CRITERIA

23. All Players shall be assessed in accordance with paragraphs 30-38 and Youth Players shall be assessed in accordance with paragraphs 31-45 if they do not achieve the pass mark in paragraph 25.
24. The FA will grant a GBE if the Player's International Appearances meet the Auto Pass Percentage set out in Table 1 of the criteria.
25. If a Player is not granted a GBE in accordance with paragraph 24 above, The FA will grant a GBE if a Player achieves 15 or more points in accordance with paragraphs 31-39.

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26. The Club may request that an Exceptions Panel consider the application if a Player achieves between 10 and 14 points in accordance with paragraphs 31-39 and:
- If the Player is not a Youth Player, the Club can evidence that exceptional circumstances prevented the Player from achieving 15 points; and
 - If the Player is a Youth Player, the Youth Player achieves between 10 and 14 points in accordance with paragraphs 40-46.
27. If a Youth Player achieves between 10 and 14 points in accordance with paragraphs 31-39, but achieves 15 or more points in accordance with paragraphs 40-45, The FA will provide the club's application to the Relevant Interested Parties by email. The FA and the Relevant Interested Parties shall consider the application, and any other information which they deem to be relevant in their absolute discretion, to determine whether the player is of sufficient quality to be awarded a GBE. The FA and the Relevant Interested Parties shall make a decision by simple majority and if a majority of The FA and the Relevant Interested Parties recommend that the player should be awarded a GBE, a GBE will be granted.
28. If the Club requests an Exceptions Panel, the procedure in paragraphs 47-56 shall apply.
29. If a Player is not granted a GBE in accordance with paragraph 24, 25 or paragraphs 47-56, he will have no further opportunity to apply for a GBE unless his circumstances change and will not be eligible to play for the applicant club.
30. If the calculation of a Player's International Appearances, Player's Domestic Minutes, Player's Domestic Cup Minutes or Player's Continental Minutes (or any other percentage) results in:
- a decimal number of .5 or higher, the number will be rounded up to the next whole number; or
 - a decimal number of lower than .5, the number will be rounded down to the next whole number.

Player's International Appearances

31. A Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 1 in respect of the Player's International Appearances.

Player's International Appearances	Aggregated FIFA World Ranking of the Player's National Association				
	1-10	11-20	21-30	31-50	51+
90-100%	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	2
80-89%	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	1
70-79%	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	0
60-69%	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	10	0
50-59%	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	10	8	0
40-49%	Auto Pass	Auto Pass	9	7	0
30-39%	Auto Pass	10	8	6	0
20-29%	10	9	7	0	0
10-19%	9	8	0	0	0

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1-9%	8	7	0	0	0
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Player's Domestic Minutes

32. A Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 2 in respect of the Player's Domestic Minutes.

Player's Domestic Minutes	Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Band 5	Band 6
90-100%	12	10	8	6	4	2
80-89%	11	9	7	5	3	1
70-79%	10	8	6	4	2	0
60-69%	9	7	5	3	1	0
50-59%	8	6	4	2	0	0
40-49%	7	5	3	1	0	0
30-39%	6	4	2	0	0	0
20-29%	0	0	0	0	0	0
10-19%	0	0	0	0	0	0
1-9%	0	0	0	0	0	0

Player's Continental Minutes

33. A Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 3 in respect of the Player's Continental Minutes.

Player's Continental Minutes	Band 1 Continental Competition	Band 2 Continental Competition	Band 3 Continental Competition
90-100%	10	5	2
80-89%	9	4	1
70-79%	8	3	0
60-69%	7	2	0
50-59%	6	1	0
40-49%	5	0	0
30-39%	4	0	0
20-29%	0	0	0
10-19%	0	0	0
1-9%	0	0	0

Final League Position of Player's Last Club

34. A Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 4 in respect of the Final League Position of the Player's Last Club, provided (i) the Player appeared on the matchday squad list for the Player's Last Club for at least one match in its domestic league competition or (ii) the value of the Player's Domestic Cup Minutes was at least 1%, during the Last Season.

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Last Club's Final League Position	Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Band 5	Band 6
Title winner	6	5	4	3	2	1
Qualified for group stages of a Band 1 Continental Competition	5	4	3	2	1	0
Qualified for qualifiers of a Band 1 Continental Competition	4	3	2	1	0	0
Qualified for group stages of a Band 2 Continental Competition	3	2	1	0	0	0
Qualified for qualifiers of a Band 2 Continental Competition	2	1	0	0	0	0
Mid-table	1	0	0	0	0	0
Relegation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Promotion	N/A	1	1	1	1	1

35. For the avoidance of doubt, a Player shall only be granted the higher of the points he is eligible for in Table 4.

Continental Progression of Player's Last Club

36. A Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 5 in respect of the Continental Progression of the Player's Last Club, provided (i) the Player appeared on the matchday squad list for the Player's Last Club for at least one match in its domestic league competition or a Continental Competition or (ii) the value of the Player's Domestic Cup Minutes was at least 1%, during the Last Season.

Continental Progression	Band 1 Continental Competition	Band 2 Continental Competition	Band 3 Continental Competition
Final	10	7	2
Semi-Finals	9	6	1
Quarter-Finals	8	5	0
Round of 16	7	4	0
Round of 32	6	3	0
Group stage	5	2	0
Other	0	0	0

37. For the avoidance of doubt, a Player shall only be granted the higher of the points he is eligible for in Table 5.

League Quality of Player's Current Club

38. A Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 6 in respect of the band of the Player's Current Club, provided (i) the Player appeared on the matchday squad list for the Player's Last Club for at least one match in its domestic league competition or a Continental Competition or (ii) the value of the Player's Domestic Cup Minutes was at least 1%, during the Reference Period.

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Band of Player's Current Club	Points
Band 1	12
Band 2	10
Band 3	8
Band 4	6
Band 5	4
Band 6	2

39. If a Player has been loaned to a club in a lower band than his parent club and has made a first team appearance (on the pitch) for his parent club during the Reference Period, he shall be granted the higher of the points he would have been eligible for in accordance with Table 6 if his parent club was the Player's Current Club.

Youth Criteria

Youth International Appearances

40. A Youth Player shall be granted the higher of:
- seven points if the value of the Youth Player's Band 1 International Appearances is at least 30%; or
 - five points if the value of the Youth Player's Band 2 International Appearances is at least 30%.

Youth - Debut

41. A Youth Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 7 if he made his first appearance (on the pitch) for the senior team of a club in Band 1, Band 2, Band 3, Band 4, Band 5 or Band 6 in its domestic league competition during the Reference Period.

Band	Points
Band 1	6
Band 2	5
Band 3	4
Band 4	3
Band 5	2
Band 6	1

42. For the avoidance of doubt:
- a Youth Player shall only be granted the higher of the points he is eligible for under paragraph 32 (*Player's Domestic Minutes*) and paragraph 41; and
 - if a Youth Player made his first appearance in more than one band during the Reference Period, he shall only be granted the higher of the points he is eligible for in Table 7.

Youth - Final League Position

43. A Youth Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 8 in respect of the Player's Last Club, provided that:
- the Youth Player is not eligible for any points in accordance with paragraph 34 (*Final League Position of Player's Last Club*); and
 - the value of one or more of the following is at least 30%:

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- a. the Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes;
- b. the Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes;
- c. the Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes; or
- d. the Youth Player's B Team Minutes.

Last Club's Final League Position	Band 1	Band 2	Band 3	Band 4	Band 5	Band 6
Title winner	3	3	2	2	1	1
Qualified for group stages of a Band 1 Continental Competition	3	2	2	1	1	0
Qualified for qualifiers of a Band 1 Continental Competition	2	2	1	1	0	0
Qualified for group stages of a Band 2 Continental Competition	2	1	1	0	0	0
Qualified for qualifiers of a Band 2 Continental Competition	1	1	0	0	0	0
Mid-table	1	0	0	0	0	0
Relegation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Promotion	N/A	1	1	1	1	1

Youth - Continental Progression

44. A Youth Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 9 in respect of the Player's Last Club, provided that:
- a) the Youth Player is not eligible for any points in accordance with paragraph 36 (*Continental Progression*); and
 - b) the value of one or more of the following is at least 30%:
 - a. the Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes;
 - b. the Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes;
 - c. the Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes; or
 - d. the Youth Player's B Team Minutes.

Continental Progression	Band 1 Continental Competition	Band 2 Continental Competition	Band 3 Continental Competition
Final	5	4	1
Semi-Finals	5	3	1
Quarter-Finals	4	3	0
Round of 16	4	2	0
Round of 32	3	2	0
Group stage	3	1	0
Other	0	0	0

Youth - League Quality of Player's Current Club

45. A Youth Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 10 in respect of the Player's Current Club, provided that:
- a) The Youth Player is not eligible for any points in accordance with paragraph 38 (*League Quality of Player's Current Club*); and
 - b) the value of one or more of the following is at least 30%:

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- a. the Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes;
- b. the Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes; or
- c. the Youth Player's B Team Minutes.

Table 10	
Band of Player's Current Club	Points
Band 1	11
Band 2	9
Band 3	7
Band 4	5
Band 5	4
Band 6	2

46. A Youth Player shall be granted the number of points set out in Table 11 in respect of the Player's Current Club, provided that:

- a) The Youth Player is not eligible for any points in accordance with paragraph 38 (*League Quality of Player's Current Club*) or 44; and
- b) the value of the Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes is at least 30%.

Table 11	
Band of Player's Current Club	Points
Band 1	9
Band 2	8
Band 3	6
Band 4	5
Band 5	3
Band 6	2

EXCEPTIONS PANELS

Please note that Exceptions Panels will not be available after the Winter (January) Transfer Window in 2021.

47. If a club requests an Exceptions Panel on the basis that exceptional circumstances prevented the Player from achieving 15 points in accordance with paragraph 26.a), the application form and written evidence supplied under paragraph 18 will be provided to a legally qualified chair of the Exceptions Panel. The chair will determine whether the application evidences reasonable grounds that exceptional circumstances applied and prevented the Player from achieving 15 points and therefore that the application should be considered by an Exceptions Panel. Any decision made by a chair of the Exceptions Panel under this paragraph shall be final and binding.
48. If a chair of the Exceptions Panel has determined that the application should be considered by an Exceptions Panel in accordance with paragraph 47 or a club requests an Exceptions Panel for a Youth Player in accordance with paragraph 26.b), The FA will appoint an independent panel of three members, which shall include one legally qualified chair and two panel members who have relevant experience at the top level of the game (the "**Panel Members**"). For the avoidance of doubt, the chair of the Exceptions Panel who has made an initial determination under paragraph 47 may be one of the Panel Members in respect of the application.

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49. The FA may also, at its absolute discretion, refer any question in relation to the interpretation or application of any aspect of these criteria to either a legally qualified chair of the Exceptions Panel or an Exceptions Panel (as appropriate) to determine. Any decision made by a chair of the Exceptions Panel or an Exceptions Panel under this paragraph shall be final and binding.
50. A fee of £5,000 plus VAT will be charged for every Exceptions Panel, which must be paid by the club in accordance with paragraph 20.
51. The club will be notified of the identity of the Panel Members and have the opportunity to challenge the appointment of any Panel Member on the basis of an actual or perceived conflict of interest. Each Panel Member shall also have the opportunity to declare an actual or perceived conflict of interest (of him or herself or any other Panel Member) to the Chair or, if the conflict of interest relates to the Chair, to The FA. The Chair, or The FA respectively, shall then determine whether the Panel Member should be excluded from participating in the application. If the Panel Member is excluded from participating in the application, The FA will appoint a replacement Panel Member (to whom this paragraph shall also apply).
52. The Exceptions Panel can request any further information from The FA's Player Status Department or the applicant club that it deems necessary, in its absolute discretion, in order to make its decision. If an Exceptions Panel meeting has been convened or is in progress when a request for further information is made, the Chair may adjourn the meeting to allow the information to be gathered. Where it is able to do so, the applicant club or The FA's Player Status Department will supply the further information to the Exceptions Panel within a reasonable timescale.
53. The Exceptions Panel shall only recommend to The FA that a GBE be granted if it is satisfied that either:
 - a. exceptional circumstances prevented the Player from achieving 15 points, and if those exceptional circumstances did not apply, the Player would have achieved 15 points; or
 - b. the Youth Player shows significant potential and is of sufficient quality to justify the Exceptions Panel recommending that a GBE be awarded.
54. The Exceptions Panel will make its decision, based on the papers submitted to it, at an in-person or virtual meeting at which The FA's Player Status Department will provide appropriate secretarial support. Each Panel Member has one vote and the decision will be made by a simple majority, with the chair having a casting vote.
55. If the Exceptions Panel recommends to The FA that a GBE be granted, The FA will consider whether to grant a GBE (but is under no obligation to do so).
56. Written reasons for the decision will be supplied by the Exceptions Panel to the applicant club. An anonymised summary of each decision will be made available (on a confidential basis) to all Stakeholders and Stakeholders may make these summaries available to clubs in the Premier League or English Football League.

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Appendix 1

Application Form

POINTS BASED SYSTEM

Application for a Governing Body Endorsement

for a Player

Please refer to the criteria for The FA's Governing Body Endorsement ("GBE") under the Points Based System (the "Criteria") when filling in this application form. Defined terms used in this application form are set out in that document.

Please calculate the Player's points totals for items 4, 5 and 6 below in the spreadsheet at Appendix 2 and submit an electronic version of the spreadsheet to The FA along with this application form.

1.	Contact details of applicant Club (employer)
Name (Club Secretary):	
Telephone:	Mobile:
E-mail:	

2.	Player details
Title:	
Surname/Family Name:	
First Name:	
Date of birth:	

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Age:
Nationality:
Government issuing passport:
Has the Player previously held a Work Permit/Certificate of Sponsorship: If YES: (a) please give details of employer and dates: (b) please confirm whether this is an application for an extension of a GBE:
Player's current place of residence:

3. Application details
Tier 2 or Tier 5 of the Home Office Points Based System:
Length of player's contract From: To: Length of any Option period:
Length of GBE sought:

4. Player's International Appearances
National Association:

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International Reference Period: 24 months
Aggregated FIFA World Ranking:
Available International Matches:
Are International Friendlies included:
Percentage of Player's International Appearances:
Has the Player met the Auto Pass Percentage:
Points claimed for the Player's International Appearances in accordance with the Criteria:

5. Player's Domestic Minutes
Club(s) the Player played for during the Reference Period: If the Player played for multiple clubs, period that the Player played for each club:
Band(s) of the Club(s):
Available Domestic Minutes of the Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period: If the Player played for multiple clubs, Available Domestic Minutes of each club:
Percentage of Player's Domestic Minutes: If the Player played for multiple clubs: (a) percentage of Player's Domestic Minutes for each club: (b) average of Player's Domestic Minutes:

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Points claimed for the Player's Domestic Minutes in accordance with the Criteria:

6. Player's Continental Minutes
Continental Competitions played by the Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period: If the Player played for multiple clubs, Continental Competitions played by each club:
Band(s) of Continental Competition(s):
Available Continental Minutes of the Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period: If the Player played for multiple clubs, Available Continental Minutes of each club:
Percentage of Player's Continental Minutes: If the Player played for multiple clubs: (a) percentage of Player's Continental Minutes for each club: (b) average of Player's Continental Minutes:
Points claimed for the Player's Continental Minutes in accordance with the Criteria:

7. Final League Position of Player's Last Club
Player's Last Club:
League of Player's Last Club:

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Band of Player's Last Club:
Final League Position of Player's Last Club (by reference to the Criteria):
Points claimed for Final League Position of Player's Last Club in accordance with the Criteria:

8. Continental Progression of Player's Last Club
Player's Last Club:
Band of Continental Competition played in by the Player's Last Club in the Last Season:
Continental Progression (by reference to the Criteria):
Points claimed for Continental Progression of Player's Last Club in accordance with the Criteria:

9. League Quality of Player's Current Club
Player's Current Club:
Band of Player's Current Club:
Points claimed for Quality of Player's Current Club in accordance with the Criteria:

10. Exceptional circumstances
If you are claiming between 10 and 14 points for the Player, are there exceptional circumstances which prevented the Player from achieving 15 points:
If so, are you requesting that an Exceptions Panel consider the application:

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If so, please provide written evidence of the exceptional circumstances which prevented the Player from achieving 15 points:

Total points claimed:

11. Details of Representatives being used by Club (e.g. Solicitors)

Name:

Telephone:

Mobile:

E-mail:

12. Declaration (to be given by an authorised signatory of the applicant club)

The details given in this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

The employer named in this application is responsible for the terms and conditions of employment and any requirements for registration or licensing necessary for the employment which is subject to this application.

The employer holds a valid sponsor's licence under Tier 2 and/or Tier 5 of the PBS so as to be eligible to assign Certificates of Sponsorship and is aware of its duties to comply with immigration law, including co-operating, record-keeping and reporting.

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Signature:

Date:

Name (in CAPITALS):

Position:

For and on behalf of:

Please submit the application to:

Player Status Department

The Football Association

Wembley Stadium

PO Box 1966

London SW1P 9EQ

Email: Registrations@thefa.com

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Appendix 2

Youth Players Application Form

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Application for a Governing Body Endorsement

for a Youth Player

Please refer to the criteria for The FA's Governing Body Endorsement ("GBE") under the Points Based System (the "Criteria") when filling in this application form. Defined terms used in this application form are set out in that document.

Please calculate the Youth Player's points totals for items 4, 5, 6, 11 and 13 below in the spreadsheet at Appendix 2 and submit an electronic version of the spreadsheet to The FA along with this application form.

1.	Contact details of applicant Club (employer)
Name (Club Secretary):	
Telephone:	Mobile:
E-mail:	

2.	Youth Player details
Title:	
Surname/Family Name:	
First Name:	
Date of birth:	

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Age:
Nationality:
Government issuing passport:
Has the Youth Player previously held a Work Permit/Certificate of Sponsorship: If YES: (a) please give details of employer and dates: (b) please confirm whether this is an application for an extension of a GBE:
Youth Player's current place of residence:

3. Application details
Tier 2 or Tier 5 of the Home Office Points Based System:
Length of Youth Player's contract From: To: Length of any Option period:
Length of GBE sought:

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Standard Criteria

4.	Youth Player's International Appearances
National Association:	
International Reference Period: 12 months	
Aggregated FIFA World Ranking:	
Available International Matches:	
Are International Friendlies included:	
Percentage of Youth Player's International Appearances:	
Has the Youth Player met the Auto Pass Percentage:	
Points claimed for the Youth Player's International Appearances in accordance with the Criteria:	

5.	Youth Player's Domestic Minutes
Club(s) the Youth Player played for during the Reference Period: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs, period that the Youth Player played for each club:	
Band(s) of the Club(s):	
Available Domestic Minutes of the Youth Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs, Available Domestic Minutes of each club:	

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Percentage of Youth Player's Domestic Minutes: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs: (a) percentage of Youth Player's Domestic Minutes for each club: (b) average of Youth Player's Domestic Minutes:
Points claimed for the Youth Player's Domestic Minutes in accordance with the Criteria:

6. Youth Player's Continental Minutes
Continental Competitions played by the Youth Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs, Continental Competitions played by each club:
Band(s) of Continental Competition(s):
Available Continental Minutes of the Youth Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs, Available Continental Minutes of each club:
Percentage of Youth Player's Continental Minutes: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs: (a) percentage of Youth Player's Continental Minutes for each club: (b) average of Youth Player's Continental Minutes:
Points claimed for the Youth Player's Continental Minutes in accordance with the Criteria:

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7.	Final League Position of Youth Player's Last Club
Youth Player's Last Club:	
League of Youth Player's Last Club:	
Band of Youth Player's Last Club:	
Final League Position of Youth Player's Last Club (by reference to the Criteria):	
Points claimed for Final League Position of Youth Player's Last Club in accordance with the Criteria:	

8.	Continental Progression of Youth Player's Last Club
Youth Player's Last Club:	
Band of Continental Competition played in by the Youth Player's Last Club in the Last Season:	
Continental Progression (by reference to the Criteria):	
Points claimed for Continental Progression of Youth Player's Last Club in accordance with the Criteria:	

9.	League Quality of Youth Player's Current Club
Youth Player's Current Club:	
Band of Youth Player's Current Club:	
Points claimed for Quality of Youth Player's Current Club in accordance with the Criteria:	

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10.	Exceptional circumstances
If you are claiming between 10 and 14 points for the Youth Player, are there exceptional circumstances which prevented the Youth Player from achieving 15 points:	
If so, are you requesting that an Exceptions Panel consider the application:	
If so, please provide written evidence of the exceptional circumstances which prevented the Youth Player from achieving 15 points:	

Total points claimed for standard Criteria:
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Youth Criteria

11.	Youth Player's International Appearances
Available Band 1 Internationals:	
Percentage of Youth Player's Band 1 International Appearances:	
Available Band 2 Internationals:	
Percentage of Youth Player's Band 2 International Appearances:	
Points claimed for Percentage of Youth Player's Band 1 International Appearances: OR Youth Player's Band 2 International Appearances in accordance with the Criteria:	

12.	Youth - Debut
First senior appearance:	
Band of relevant club:	
Points claimed for the Youth Player's debut:	

13.	Youth - Final League Position of Youth Player's Last Club
Available B Team Minutes of the Youth Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period:	
If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs, Available B Team Minutes of each club:	
Percentage of Youth Player's B Team Minutes:	
If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs:	
(a) percentage of Youth Player's B Team Minutes for each club:	
(b) average of Youth Player's B Team Minutes:	

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Available CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes of the Youth Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs, Available CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes of each club:
Percentage of Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs: (a) percentage of Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes for each club: (b) average of Youth Player's CONMEBOL U20 Libertadores Minutes:
Available UEFA Youth League Minutes of the Youth Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs, Available UEFA Youth League Minutes of each club:
Percentage of Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs: (a) percentage of Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes for each club: (b) average of Youth Player's UEFA Youth League Minutes:
Available Youth Competition Minutes of the Youth Player's Club(s) during the Reference Period: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs, Available Youth Competition Minutes of each club:
Percentage of Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes: If the Youth Player played for multiple clubs:

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(a) percentage of Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes for each club:

(b) average of Youth Player's Youth Competition Minutes:

Points claimed for the Youth – Final League Position of Youth Player's Last Club in accordance with the Criteria:

14. Youth – Continental Progression

Points claimed for Youth – Continental Progression in accordance with the Criteria:

15. Youth - League Quality of Youth Player's Current Club

Points claimed for Youth - Quality of Youth Player's Current Club in accordance with the Criteria:

Total points for youth Criteria:

16. Details of Representatives being used by Club (e.g. Solicitors)

Name:

Telephone:

Mobile:

E-mail:

17. Declaration (to be given by an authorised signatory of the applicant club)

The details given in this application are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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The employer named in this application is responsible for the terms and conditions of employment and any requirements for registration or licensing necessary for the employment which is subject to this application.

The employer holds a valid sponsor's licence under Tier 2 and/or Tier 5 of the PBS so as to be eligible to assign Certificates of Sponsorship and is aware of its duties to comply with immigration law, including co-operating, record-keeping and reporting.

Signature:

Date:

Name (in CAPITALS):

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For and on behalf of:

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Appendix 3

Application Spreadsheet