

The LMC has issued the statement below to clarify the rules regarding the application of “Free hits following a No Ball foot fault”. The statement incorporates the ECB requirements for free hits in ECB Non First Class Competitions.

“Free hits following a No Ball foot fault shall be applied for those CCL competitions as stated in the CCL rules and regulations - these competitions are: Premier 50/50 (rule 18.20) and Vinter, Hawkey, Rosevear, County 20/20, Edwards Final (rule 25.1.12, 25.5.10.2).

The application of Free hits following a No Ball foot fault shall be:

- 1. The delivery following a No Ball called for a foot fault shall be a free hit for whichever batsman is facing it**
- 2. If the delivery for a free hit is not a legitimate delivery (any kind of no ball or wide ball) then the next delivery shall become a free hit for whichever batsman is facing it**
- 3. For any free hit, the striker can be dismissed only under the circumstances that apply for a no ball, even if the delivery for the free hit is called a wide ball**
- 4. Field changes are permitted for free hit deliveries providing all effective fielding restrictions are adhered to**