



England ODI captain, Eoin Morgan

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England name preliminary ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Squad

- -15-man preliminary squad ICC Men's Cricket World Cup
- -17-man squad Pakistan Royal London ODI series
- -14-man squad Ireland ODI and Pakistan Vitality IT20

England National Cricket Selectors have named a 15-man preliminary squad

for the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup starting at the end of May and an extended 17-man squad for the five-match Royal London ODI series against Pakistan, which precedes the World Cup.

England preliminary 15-man ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Squad



England 17-man squad versus Pakistan ODIs



England 14-man squad versus Ireland ODI and Pakistan Vitality IT20



Sussex fast bowler Jofra Archer is called up to the ODI squad for the first time. The 24-year-old, who was born in Barbados but has an English father and holds a British passport, completed a three-year qualification period on

March 17. He is available for selection for the first time.

He is joined in the squad alongside his Sussex teammate Chris Jordan. The athletic all-rounder returns to the ODI set-up for the first time since September 2016 after some impressive performances this winter against Sri Lanka and West Indies in the T20 format.

The selectors, in consultation with the England management team, have rested Moeen Ali, Jonny Bairstow, Jos Buttler and Ben Stokes for the one-off ODI against Ireland in Malahide and the Vitality IT20 against Pakistan. Chris Woakes is also not included and will manage his workload leading into a busy summer while playing for Warwickshire.

Sam Billings and James Vince have been added to the squad for the one-off ODI in Ireland and the IT20 against Pakistan at Cardiff.

Players selected in the squads, who are currently playing in the Indian Premier League, will return to England on or before April 26.

England will finalise their final 15-man World Cup squad after the five-match Royal London ODI Series against Pakistan, which culminates at Emerald Headingley on Sunday, May 19.

Commenting on the selection of the squads, National Selector Ed Smith, said:

"In line with ICC regulations, we have to name a preliminary squad of 15 for the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup before April 23. However, all 17 players named in the Royal London ODIs against Pakistan can stake a claim to be in the final 15-man squad, finalised at the end of that series.

"The selection panel has been impressed with Jofra Archer's performances in domestic and franchise cricket. He is a very talented and exciting cricketer.

"Chris Jordan, a regular in IT20 squads over the past few years, has continued to develop as a cricketer – as we saw in the IT20s in the West Indies. He fully deserves his return to the ODI squad.

"With regard to resting players, we are conscious of managing player

workloads leading into such an important summer so that players are in the best possible condition for the World Cup. That was also a factor in the way we have selected these three squads."

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England's Forthcoming Fixtures:

ODI - May 3

Ireland v England

Malahide, Dublin

10:45am (BST)

Vitality IT20 - May 5

England v Pakistan

Sophia Gardens, Cardiff

2:30pm (BST)

Royal London 1st ODI – May 8

England v Pakistan

The Kia Oval, London

1:00pm (BST)

Royal London 2nd ODI – May 11

England v Pakistan

The Ageas Bowl, Southampton 11:00am (BST) Royal London 3rd ODI – May 14 England v Pakistan Bristol County Ground, Bristol 1:00pm (BST) Royal London 4th ODI - May 17 England v Pakistan Trent Bridge, Nottingham 1:00pm (BST) Royal London 5th ODI – May 19 England v Pakistan Emerald Headingley, Leeds 11:00am (BST) **England's ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Warm-Up Fixtures:** May 25 England v Australia

Hampshire Bowl, Southampton

10:30am (BST)

May 27

England v Afghanistan

The Oval, London

10:30am (BST)

England's ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Fixtures:

Match 1 – May 30

England v South Africa

The Oval, London 10:30am (BST)

Match 2 – June 3 England v Pakistan

Trent Bridge, Nottingham 10:30am (BST)

Match 3 – June 8

England v Bangladesh

Cardiff Wales Stadium, Cardiff

10:30am (BST)

Match 4 – June 14

England v West Indies Hampshire Bowl, Southampton 10:30am (BST) **Match 5** – June 18 England v Afghanistan Old Trafford, Manchester 10:30am (BST) Match 6 – June 21 England v Sri Lanka Headingley, Leeds 10:30am (BST) **Match 7** – June 25 England v Australia Lord's, London

Match 8 – June 30

10:30am (BST)

England v India

Edgbaston, Birmingham

10:30am (BST)

Match 9 – July 3

England v New Zealand

The Riverside Durham, Chester-le-Street

10:30am (BST)

Semi Finals – July 9 and 11

World Cup Final - July 14

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