

# CBA 2017 Explained - Compensation for FA Signings

*The key takeaway is that everyone retains their first round pick!*

*One of the OOTP developers kindly supplied a link explaining the MLB version, with some real world examples, if you would like to read more.*

<https://www.si.com/mlb/2017/11/07/mlb-free-agency-compensation-rules-draft-picks-qualifying-offer>

OOTP gets pretty close, though there are some slight accommodations made in the game (which are outlined).

## **If you SIGN a COMP tag FA:**

**IF** your team paid Luxury Tax (RED number in your current accounting year)  
**THEN** you forfeit your second and fifth highest picks  
**AND** an additional signing forfeits your third and sixth highest

**IF** your team received revenue sharing  
**THEN** you forfeit your third highest pick  
**AND** an additional signing forfeits fourth highest

## **If you LOSE a player that has refused a qualifying offer and is signed in free agency with a COMP tag:**

**IF** your team received revenue sharing (GREEN number in your current accounting year)  
**AND** the COMP FA signs a \$50 million or more guaranteed contract (noted in their history)  
**THEN** you receive a compensation pick in a sandwich round between Rounds 1 and 2

**LESS** than a \$50 million contract  
**THEN** you receive a compensation pick after Round 2  
*The game does not incorporate a second sandwich round, so the picks are tacked onto the second round.*

**IF** your team paid Luxury Tax (a RED number in accounting)  
**THEN** you are to receive a compensatory pick after the Round 4

**IF** your team neither paid or received revenue sharing (a "-" or "0" in your current accounting)  
**THEN** you receive a pick after Round 2

*The developer was not clear whether the threshold number was \$50M exactly, or three times the QO value (which is around 50M), but it will be close.*

Watch for messages in the game!