



Messaging Update

Clubs and Leagues

All,

This week's bulletin contains information on updated Government Guidance, Inspired to Play Case Studies, and Young Cricket Officials Courses.

Government Guidance



With the positive news from the UK Government confirming England progressing to Step 3 from Monday 17th May, we have updated our guidance to reflect what these changes mean for organised outdoor cricket. Whilst these changes come into effect from Monday 17th May, it is important to remember that clubs should be encouraged to move at their own pace and only move to the next steps if and when they feel ready to do so.

The main changes under Step 3 guidance are as follows:

- On-field Activities: All on-field restrictions remain as previously communicated

- Changing rooms: can open where it is safe to do so but social distancing and other mitigation measures must be observed, including restrictions on capacity limits. (Signage can be found via resource hub.)
- Hospitality: Clubhouses and facilities that serve food and drink can open. At Step 3, both indoor and outdoor hospitality will be permitted. The provision of food and beverage should be as per [government guidance on hospitality settings](#).
- Teas: Teas can now be served at clubs where this can be done safely and in compliance with [government guidance on hospitality settings](#).
- Spectators: Spectators are permitted at both public and private venues. Spectators must observe social distancing and legal gathering size limits (groups of up to 30 outdoors).
- Travel: You can leave your home to exercise and take part in informal and organised cricket. Car sharing is permitted at Step 3 for sport in accordance with the [government guidance for safer travel](#).

We continue to work with colleagues in Wales as we await the Welsh Government Update expected on Friday 14th May.

Guidance

Young Cricket Officials Courses

This year sees the launch of the delayed Young Cricket Officials course which is being run by County Cricket Boards for young people aged between 13 and 18 years old. These courses are the perfect entry level for young people who might be interested in scoring and umpiring games. If you would like to find out more about these courses for Young people at your club, please get in contact with your local CCB.

You can help the development of the young people that have attended these courses by giving them the opportunity to score and umpire in junior cricket within your club. Or if you are aware of any young people going on these courses, you might want to think about inviting them down to help with your Dynamos cricket sessions or your junior games. The scoring element is based on the Play Cricket Scorer App, so they might also be able to score some of your senior teams at weekend if appropriate. This is a great opportunity to engage some of your young members in a volunteering capacity within your club.

Inspired to Play



On Monday we announced the launch of the Inspired to Play Grant scheme, with the aim to increase the number of children (boys and girls) and/or women participating in the game by supporting the delivery of new/enhanced recreational cricket activity in England and Wales during the months of June - September 2021.

If you missed the email, you can find a copy of it [here](#), including a link to the guidance notes that you will need to read before applying.

We have had an amazing response, with over a thousand applications coming in in the first 48hrs. There is still a chance to apply, and to help showcase the types of activity that the grant will be put towards, we are pleased to share four case studies of clubs who are successfully in the process of receiving their grant. We hope this can inspire you to think about how your club could benefit, and help to bring cricket to new audiences this summer.

Inspired to Play Case Studies

England & Wales Cricket Board, Lord's Cricket Ground, London, NW8 8QZ