



Messaging Update

Clubs and Leagues

Hi,

I am now one month into my new role as Managing Director, Recreational Cricket and I wanted to take this opportunity to reach out to all of our clubs and leagues.

I am incredibly proud and privileged to have been asked to take this role on, especially at this moment for our sport. I truly believe cricket has an unprecedented opportunity in the next 4-5 years to grow our reach and relevance at core club level, and also to fulfil our social purpose and improve lives, especially those traditionally not touched by sport.

I am acutely aware of, and grateful for, the swathes of committed and passionate people who make our sport happen, week in, week out and I am genuinely excited about what we will be able to achieve together over the coming years.



With my best wishes for your final preparations for this season.

Leshia Hawkins

ECB, Managing Director, Recreational Cricket

Over 33,000 volunteers took part in Get Set Weekend 2024



Thank you to everyone who took part in Get Set Weekend over the weekend, it was our biggest one yet with over 1,600 clubs taking part up and down the country and over 33,000 volunteers lending a hand to help make cricket happen. That is more than the capacity at Lord's!!

We have loved seeing all your events on social media so do continue to share your photos and videos using #GetSetWeekend and #TheCricketCollective. We will be posting some blogs on the ECB website in coming days so look out for these.

We would love to hear your feedback on the Get Set Weekend if you could please take a couple of minutes to complete the short form below.

For any clubs still to hold their Get Set Weekend we wish you the best of luck and hope the sun shines!

[GET SET WEEKEND FEEDBACK](#)

Have your say on the culture of the game

THE BIG CRICKET CONVERSATION

Have your say on the culture of the game

We want cricket to be the most inclusive team sport in England and Wales. That's why we need people who play, watch, participate or enjoy cricket to reflect on the culture of the game and what it stands for.

Sign up for one of the upcoming workshops to help us shape the values that guide the sport, and the culture that gives life to the game.

Don't worry if you can't make any of these sessions as there will be more opportunities to get involved in the Big Cricket Conversation in the coming weeks and months.

THE BIG CRICKET CONVERSATION WORKSHOPS

Help develop our understanding of injury in recreational cricket



The recreational cricket injury surveillance project has been running for three years, with over 200 clubs reporting injuries in 2023. Consistent findings have started to emerge, enhancing our understanding of injury risk at this level, and reinforcing that cricket is a relatively safe sport.

Fingers are the most frequently injured body part with the primary cause being struck by a moving object with fielding is evidenced as the activity with the greatest risk of injury.

Ongoing monitoring aims to validate and accurately assess injury risk in cricket, and as we enter our fourth year, we are looking for more clubs to participate. If you want to help and join our efforts, please express your interest via the short form below. For further information contact: InjurySurveillance@ecb.co.uk.

INJURY SURVEILLANCE PROJECT

General conduct regulations and the anti-discrimination code for 2024 season published

As we continue striving to make cricket the Most Inclusive Sport, a few relatively small amends have been made to previously distributed documents relating to ECB Regulations. Broadly, the changes are as follows:

- General Conduct Regulations – No changes except for date alterations.
- Recreational Conduct Regulations – Minor amendments including date alterations.
- Anti-Discrimination Code contains an addition point on victimisation.
- Applicability of sanctions – Minor amendments.

ECB ANTI-
DISCRIMINATION CODE
GUIDANCE

ECB APPLICABILITY
SANCTIONS
RECREATIONAL CRICKET

ECB GENERAL CONDUCT
REGULATIONS

ECB RECREATIONAL
CONDUCT
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Conflict resolution and mediation skills training

We are delighted to offer Conflict Resolution and Mediation Skills training to lead the game on its journey to become the most inclusive sport. In order to achieve this we need to ensure everyone is equipped to challenge discriminatory behaviour when it arises.

Inevitably this may result in you feeling like you are facing some form of conflict, either aimed at you or other parties. This training is designed to help you identify what conflict is, what conflict resolution tactics are available to you, and managing that conflict appropriately, to ensure it doesn't escalate.

Title: Conflict Resolution and Mediation Skills Training Dates & Time: Wednesday 19th June: 6pm-9pm Location: Online to be done over Zoom led by accredited and experienced mediator. Price: Free!

To book your space please follow the link below.

BOOK NOW

Safe Hands Management System - supporting clubs to keep cricket safe and enjoyable for all

The Safe Hands Management System (SHMS) is a volunteer management tool which allows clubs to demonstrate they are meeting ECB minimum standards, highlight known safeguarding risks, and empower clubs to take mitigating actions.

There are currently over 3,600 clubs, and 44,000+ volunteers from across England and Wales using the system.

Using SHMS will also allow you to access FREE combined liability insurance for your club.

Please speak to your local County Board/Foundation to be onboarded onto the SHMS.

MORE INFORMATION

Anti-Discrimination Resources

We all want cricket to be the most inclusive sport. To help support clubs and captains ahead of the upcoming season we wanted to signpost you to some useful resources.

Posters in your changing rooms and club houses help to increase awareness across your clubs on how to tackle and report discrimination.

Captain's cards offer tips on how to reduce bias, emphasising the role of leadership in creating welcoming environments. Let's empower everyone to take action and foster inclusivity in our clubs.

Together, we can all make a difference.

You can access digital versions of these documents on the Resource Hub via the link below.

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION RESOURCES

2024 ECB Umpire Progression Pathway

The ECB Officiating Department are delighted to launch the 2024 ECB Umpire Progression Pathway, providing umpires a much clearer process for umpires to progress through to higher levels of recreational cricket and potentially, into the professional game.

To review the 2024 ECB Umpire Progression Pathway click on the link below. Should you have any questions or require further information please contact david.elworthy@ecb.co.uk.

USEFUL LINKS

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