**Cricket Wales’ Clubs’ & Leagues’ Affiliation Criteria**

Cricket Wales is one of 39 County Cricket Boards that make up the England & Wales Cricket Board (ECB) and is also recognised by Sport Wales and Welsh Government as the National Governing Body for cricket in Wales. Our vision is simple; it is for **‘*Cricket to Capture the imagination of Wales’*** and our goal is to deliver our strategy [Inspiring Generations](https://cricketwales.org.uk/strategy) in partnership with our colleagues and friends at Glamorgan Cricket, and our primary funders, the ECB, Sport Wales, Chance to Shine and the Lord's Taverners.

We exist ‘to lead, inspire and influence the growth, quality and accessibility of cricket in Wales’. We are made up of many different cricket organisations from across the length and breadth of Wales, all sharing a passion for cricket.

Our mission is focused on supporting the objectives of not only Cricket Wales and Glamorgan, but also the ambitions of both ECB and the Welsh Government by ***‘connecting communities and improving well-being by inspiring people to discover their passion for cricket.’***

Over 250 clubs, leagues and associations involving almost 25,000 people make up Cricket Wales. These include: Cricket Clubs & Communities; Senior Leagues; Junior Leagues; Cricket Groundskeeper’s Associations(CGA’s); Wales Association of Cricket Officials; Wales National County and ECB Coaches Association

As an affiliated club you will be able to access a range of benefits and services to help, manage and engage your club and its members, including: Benefits of affiliation found [here](https://cricketwales.org.uk/documents/affiliation-to-cricket-wales-december-note-to-leagues-2021-sw-1059.pdf)

**What do you need to affiliate your club**?

1. Club constitution

* *An ‘open’* Club constitution approved by the membership developed from the [ECB template](https://cricketwales.org.uk/documents/governance-constitution-guidelines-1748.docx)
* In addition to adopting a constitution the following policies should be in place:
* [Inclusion & Diversity Policy](https://cricketwales.org.uk/documents/governance-club-inclusion-diversity-policy-1750.docx)
* [Safeguarding Policy](https://cricketwales.org.uk/safeguarding-standards)
* *C*lub Safeguarding Officer
* All members covering a Regulated Activity role hold a valid DBS

1. Committee structure

Appoint a committee to cover a range of roles to represent your club.  Club should have a committee that is made up of representatives to fulfil the following roles.

1. Club Chair
2. Club Treasurer
3. Club Secretary
4. Club Membership Secretary
5. Safeguarding Officer (see [here](https://cricketwales.org.uk/what-is-a-safeguarding-officer))
6. DBS Verifier

\*Please note the Club Chair and Treasurer must not be the same person. Conflicts of interest should be recognised, managed by the chair and recorded. At least three of the people on the committee should be unrelated or not cohabiting

Other roles whilst not essential are definitely desirable:-

Junior coordinator

Senior Cricket Lead / Captain

Communications & Marketing

Funding

* Facilities

1. Club Bank Account

Registered bank account in the name of the club *(with2 signatories),* evidence must be shown on application to League

1. Play Cricket ID

Registration guidance can be found [here](https://play-cricket.ecb.co.uk/hc/en-us/articles/115004175645-The-Play-Cricket-Sign-up-Process)

Whether you're administrating at board level or a player out on the pitch, Play-Cricket is the only free online tool you need to manage the game and access all the latest scores and stats. It's all completely free to use and with just one login you can record, share and track information in a simple, seamless way.

1. Club insurance

Min Public Liability 5m / Employer’s liability 10m (Check this)

ECB have approved insurers eg [Howdens](https://www.howdengroup.com/uk-en/ecb-insurance-centre)

1. Committee meeting

Minutes of the committee meeting approving the application for affiliation must be recorded to upload with your application

1. First Aider: We recommend every club has a trained first aider within their team who can deal with any medical incidents which occur.

**Affiliation and registration fees**

The affiliation and registration fees are set in order to meet our strategic priorities to grow our sport. Our most recent affiliation fee subscriptions to Cricket Wales can be found [here](https://cricketwales.org.uk/documents/affiliation-to-cricket-wales-december-note-to-leagues-2021-sw-1059.pdf)