

Dear Cherwell League Club,

It is a requirement of the Cherwell League that all clubs are affiliated to their local County Board.

There are still a few clubs that need to complete this by 31st March at the latest.

The Link to the Oxfordshire Cricket affiliation package is <u>Here</u>. Clubs on a county border may choose either county to affiliate to.

Affiliating to your local County Board provides the League with the assurance that your club follows the ECB Safe Hands Policy (link <a href="here">here</a>) and has a trained Safeguarding Officer (new title for CWO).

You will also have to have in place ECB DBS checks for all roles listed in the Safe Hands document. As a minimum, these are Safeguarding Officer, team captains (or vice captains), umpires provided by your club and scorers. These are not negotiable under any circumstances.

We are aware some of you will need time to put these practices in place and support is available if required. Please contact <a href="mailto:oxfordshirecricketwelfare@gmail.com">oxfordshirecricketwelfare@gmail.com</a>, who have access to the national DBS database and can check DBS status for you or any of Oxfordshire's Cricket Development Officers, details on <a href="mailto:www.oxfordshirecricket.com">www.oxfordshirecricket.com</a> if you need further information.

If you are affiliating to Bucks and need assistance, please contact <a href="mailto:stuart.beck@buckscb.org">stuart.beck@buckscb.org</a>

Please note, the League is not flexible on this issue and clubs that fail to comply will be ineligible to play in the Cherwell League.

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