**HEREFORDSHIRE CRICKET LTD**

**CLUB AFFILIATION CONFIRMATION FORM**

**INTRODUCTION**

Affiliation is the formal process by which your Club becomes a recognised member of the regulated cricket community.

By affiliating to Herefordshire Cricket Ltd you establish a relationship with us and, by extension, the England and Wales Cricket Board (“**ECB**”), that enables you to gain access to a whole host of benefits only available to affiliated clubs, such as access to a range of funding opportunities and entry to national competitions.

By affiliating you demonstrate a commitment to protecting the quality and integrity of the game through your acceptance of the regulatory jurisdiction of Herefordshire Cricket Ltd and the ECB; in return, we will provide you with ongoing support to help you manage the challenges that arise during the course of running a cricket club.

More details about the benefits available to affiliated clubs can be found [HERE](https://www.herefordshirecricket.co.uk/affiliation/) and from Kirsty Sockett at Herefordshire Cricket Ltd.

 **AGREEMENT**

By affiliating to Herefordshire Cricket Ltd, your Club agrees to:

1. adopt and enforce the ECB Anti-Discrimination Code (“**AD Code**”) and comply with the obligations and disciplinary process set out under the ECB General Conduct Regulations for Recreational Cricket (“**GCRs**”);
2. accept the jurisdiction of Herefordshire Cricket Ltd to enforce the AD Code and the GCRs against the Club and its cricketers, coaches, committee members, officers, employees, contractors, members, match officials, volunteers and any other persons your Club exercises control over such as spectators (together, “**Participants**”);
3. ensure that all Participants agree to comply with their obligations under the AD Code, GCRs and the ECB’s Safeguarding Procedure, and accept the jurisdiction of Herefordshire Cricket Ltd (and in the case of the Safeguarding Procedure, the ECB) to enforce the same;
4. adopt and implement the ECB’s “Safe Hands” Safeguarding and Protecting Children Policy;
5. being registered on the ECB’s safeguarding management tool, the Safe Hands Management System;
6. recognise and give effect to:
	1. any penalty or sanction imposed under the GCRs or the ECB Recreational Conduct Regulations by another cricket organisation;
	2. any penalty or sanction imposed by the ECB (including by the Cricket Discipline Commission);
	3. any decision or outcome imposed under the ECB’s Safeguarding Procedure; and
	4. any penalty or sanction imposed by the International Cricket Council (“**ICC**”), any other ICC Member Country or any national or international anti-doping authority, to the extent that the penalty or sanction is also recognised by the ECB and of which you are notified or otherwise become aware of; and
7. adopt, comply with and enforce (as required), and accept the jurisdiction of Herefordshire Cricket Ltd and/or the ECB to enforce, such other rules and regulations as may be required by the ECB from time to time and which are notified to your Club by Herefordshire Cricket Ltd.

These conditions are set by the ECB and apply to all affiliated cricket clubs in England and Wales. Failure to adhere to these conditions may result in your Club’s affiliation being suspended or withdrawn.

The further requirements of Herefordshire Cricket Ltd are available to review found [HERE](https://www.herefordshirecricket.co.uk/affiliation/) and from Kirsty Sockett at Herefordshire Cricket Ltd.

 **CONFIRMATION**

To confirm your Club’s acceptance of these conditions, please sign and date where indicated below (an electronic signature is acceptable) and return your completed confirmation form to kirstysockett@herefordshirecricketltd.co.uk

**Signed by**: ……………………………………………………………………….
 (Chair / Secretary)

**Date**: …..…………………………………