



August 2021

North Midlands Rugby Football Union

2021 - 2022 season

When playing in cross-border matches the North Midlands RFU is **USUALLY** prepared to grant Clubs a blanket approval; as a consequence, no application is required to be submitted to the Honorary Secretary. **However, the RFU have issued NEW guidelines and approval MUST be submitted on a game-to-game basis, with each club applying for approval now for each cross-border game until further notice for both Age Grade and Adult Players.**

It is the club's responsibility to ensure that there is adequate insurance to cover any cross-border fixture; it is recommended that a Club checks beforehand.

All tours, including Home Nations need to be approved separately.

Any breaches of Discipline, Safeguarding or other incidents involving the club whilst engaged in cross-border matches must be reported to the Honorary Secretary as soon as reasonably practicable.

Failure to report any such incident event may lead to the cover being rescinded, and/or conditions imposed on future applications. Clubs playing cross border matches should regard themselves as an ambassador for this CB, and with it an expectation that teams will conduct themselves accordingly.

Clubs must keep a record of the matches played a copy of which should be submitted to the Honorary Secretary at the end of the season.

Please fill in the attached form and return to me by email at NorthMidsRFU@gmail.com also copying in NMRFUAS@gmail.com

Fiona Harris

Honorary Secretary



Cross Border Approval

Name of Club _____

Club Honorary Secretary or Chairman to complete

Name _____

Email Address _____

Mobile Number _____

Position _____

It is the responsibility of the **HOST CLUB** to obtain the approval of the Host Union. It is the **NORTH MIDLANDS RFU CLUB'S** responsibility to ensure that the CB approval is granted prior to travelling

Approval from NMRFU will be subject to you obtaining the Cross Border Host Union's approval and the CB may withhold approval until such time as it is provided with written confirmation of the Host Union's approval.

NMRFU CLUB DECLARATION:

- a. All Players are covered by the appropriate insurance with adequate cover for rugby activity, travel and any other non-rugby activities undertaken, including legal & medical costs.
INSURANCE: While insurance for travel and medical costs is not always necessary for matches in other Home Unions, it is suggested that clubs seek advice from an insurance advisor on what additional insurances may be appropriate, depending on the destination and method of travel.
- b. All activity will comply and be played in accordance with RFU Regulations, IRB Regulations and IRB Laws of the Game as appropriate to the Host Union.
- c. The Club agrees that the RFU or CB shall have the power to take disciplinary action in relation to players and other personnel in respect of all matches involving its Clubs, regardless of whether the match is played in England or in another Union.
- d. The Club has completed a Risk Assessment and that the Touring with Children and Vulnerable Adults Guide has been followed in relation to all age-grade matches.
- e. The information and statements set out in this form are true and correct.
- f. The club committee fully endorses this match application.
- g. The club agrees to submit a full list of matches played cross border, to include date of match, venue (home or away), name of club and Union (invariably a Welsh [WRU] club), details of team involved (1XV women, 2XV men, U16 boys, U9 girls etc) and result.

Signed by Club Chairman / Hon Secretary

Date:

Signed by North Midlands RFU

Date: