

WATFORD TOWN CRICKET CLUB CLUB RULES

1 Name/Object: The name shall be Watford Town Cricket Club, a club that provides cricket for the local community all of whom shall be eligible for membership, enabling participation at all levels, within any age restrictions set by organising bodies. The income and the property of the club shall be applied solely towards promoting the club's objects as set forth in these rules and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly, to the members of the club. In the event of the dissolution of the club, any assets remaining after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the club, but shall be given or transferred to one or more of the following approved sporting or charitable bodies:

1. A registered charitable organisation(s)
2. Another club which is a registered CASC
3. The sport's national governing body, for its use for related community sports.

2 Colours: The club colours shall be Oxford blue and silver.

3. Officers: The Officers of the club shall be: The Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Bar Manager, Colts Manager, Social Secretary, 1st XI & 2nd XI captains, Fixtures Secretary, Membership Secretary, Finance Officer, and Young Players' Representative. All officers shall be elected annually and all club members (except social members) shall be equally capable of being elected and to nominate persons for election. Other office holders to be elected annually but not members of the management committee shall be the vice-captains of the 1st & 2nd XIs.

4 Management: Control of all club activities shall be vested in a management committee, consisting of a maximum of 15 members being the officers of the club. The management committee shall meet at least four times each year and six members shall form a quorum. Sub-committees will take special responsibility for finance & fund-raising, cricket, and facilities maintenance. The management committee shall have full control of all club business, shall ratify all decisions of sub-committees (except selection) and shall deal with any matter not specifically covered by these rules. They shall have the power to appoint further sub-committees and to delegate to sub-committees any business (other than the purchase for the club or supply by the club of intoxicating liquor) considered desirable in the interests of the club. The management committee shall have the power also to fill any vacancy arising among the officers of the club and further, shall have the power to co-opt on to the management committee any member whose services are deemed advisable in the interests of the club. The management committee shall have the power to discipline and take action against any member who does not conform to the required standards of the club; such action may include suspension or termination of membership.

5 Membership: Members shall be elected by the club management committee. Application for membership shall be made on a form supplied by the Secretary. Applicants for social membership shall be proposed or seconded by a member of the management committee before that application is placed before the committee. Persons may not be admitted to membership or be admitted as candidates for membership or to any of the privileges of membership without an interval of at least two days between their application and their admission. Nor may persons becoming members without prior application be admitted to the privileges of membership without an interval of at least two days between becoming members and their admission. Membership of the club shall be open to all persons irrespective of ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, religion or beliefs; or of age, sex or disability except as a necessary consequence of the requirements of cricket as a particular sport. The club may refuse membership or expel from membership only for good and sufficient cause, such as conduct or character likely to bring the club, Herts League or sport into disrepute. Appeal against such a decision may be made to the club's members and decided by a majority vote.

6 Cricket Committee: The cricket committee is empowered to take all policy decisions affecting playing activities, including team selection. Any playing members disputing a decision of the cricket committee shall have the right of appeal to the management committee for a final decision. The cricket committee shall consist of the team captains and vice captains, the Colts Manager, & Club Captain. The Fixtures Secretary shall attend meetings of the cricket committee if required and shall have voting rights on that committee on matters solely relating to fixtures for the club.

7 Subscriptions. After 31 May each year, preference will be given in selection to those players who have paid the annual subscription in full. There will be two categories of non-playing members: 'Club Member' and 'Social Member'. The management committee shall decide into which category a proposed new member shall be placed. Social members and corporate members shall have no voting rights. Non-playing membership will not be granted to persons under 18 years old.

Subscriptions - 2017

21 years of age and over (full playing) £130

Under 21 years and over 18 years £80

Under 18 (as at 1st April) £40

Family membership (Up to 2 adult social members and any number of student playing members of same direct family) £60

Corporate membership £450

Non-playing and Social £20

Old-age pensioners. Min donation £1

8 Purchase and supply of intoxicating liquor: Subject to any condition attached, pursuant to Section 28(3) of the Licensing Act 1964, to the club's certificate of registration under that act, intoxicating liquor shall be supplied on the club premises to members and on their orders to guests and to other persons admitted to the club premises and their guests (including participants in or spectators at club games or competitions) in accordance with the permitted hours laid down in the Licensing Act 1964 and fixed by the management committee of the club. The hours so fixed shall be posted up in the bar at all times. Where required, written notice of those hours shall be given by the Secretary of the club to the Clerk to the Justices and no change in hours shall be effective until notice has been given. Intoxicating liquor shall not be supplied to anyone except by, or on behalf of the club. The purchase for and supply by the club of intoxicating liquor shall be under the control of the management committee or some other elective committee of the club as defined by the 5th schedule of the Licensing Act 1964. No arrangements shall be made for any person to receive at the expense of the club, any commission, percentage or similar payment on the purchase of intoxicating liquor by the club or for any person directly or indirectly to derive any pecuniary benefit from the supply of intoxicating liquor by, or on behalf of the club to members or guests apart from any benefit accruing to the club as a whole.

9 Annual General Meeting: The financial year of the club shall be from 1 November to 31 October and a General Meeting shall be held annually following the close of the financial year at which annual reports and financial statements will be presented and the President, officers and management committee of the club shall be elected. All nominations for persons to be elected as officials of the club must be proposed and seconded (by voting members only) in writing to the Hon. Secretary by a date to be advised by the Hon. Secretary, in advance of the Annual General Meeting. At a General Meeting, cricket playing members and non-playing 'Club Members' shall be entitled to one vote. No other persons shall have any voting right. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called at any time by the committee or upon written request of at least 12 members of the club, to the Secretary, stating their grounds for calling the meeting. The Secretary shall call a committee meeting to discuss business when necessary. A minimum of seven days notice shall be given to an Annual General Meeting or an Extraordinary General Meeting by exhibiting notices of the meeting on the notice board or by postal notification. The rules of the club may only be amended at the AGM or an EGM. Any proposed change of rules must be notified in writing to the Secretary at least 21 days prior to the AGM or EGM.