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MARK!





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1. Introduction

Rounders Mark is an accreditation scheme for the rounders community that will raise the standards of delivery, welfare and programmes within leagues, clubs and teams.

An accredited Rounders Mark league/club/team will be recognised by the rounders community as a safe, rewarding and fulfilling place for all participants and will be promoted by Rounders England as such.

2. Benefits of achieving Rounders Mark Status

The benefits of being a Rounders Mark accredited league, team or club will give you and the rounders community:

- The knowledge that your league/club/team is being run safely and fairly
- An appointed Welfare Officer that has attended the relevant training
- The knowledge that all coaching done within the league is given by qualified coaches
- The knowledge that umpiring is carried out by Rounders England qualified umpires
- The opportunity to host Rounders England trials
- The opportunity to host the England Squad(s) and Rounders England events
- Be promoted by Rounders England through stories and social media
- The use of the Rounders Mark logo on publicity/marketing etc
- Be advertised on the Rounders England **Play** section of the website with the Rounders Mark Logo alongside
- Support with funding applications
- Receive a trophy from Rounders England to give out at your end of year awards



3. Workforce

To achieve Rounders Mark it is important that the people coaching and umpiring in your league/club or team are qualified with the correct qualifications.

Coaching

Here at Rounders England we think it is really important that the people who are coaching within rounders have the correct rounders qualifications – this could also lead to coaching other groups within rounders.

Rounders England Qualified Coaches will:

- Raise the quality of coaching
- Ensure that they have the right level of coaching knowledge and skills for their role
- Ensure that coaching sessions are run safely
- Safeguard the participants that they are working with
- With membership, be able to access the Rounders England Workforce Finder
- Sign a Coaches Code of Practice and return each year
- Undertake regular CPD and refresher opportunities

Coach Pathway

WE ARE ALL ROUNDERS ROUNDERS ENGLAND	One off event (E.g. Local Rounders tournament or competition)	Programme (E.g. Return to Rounders sessions)	Team (E.g. A local team within a league)	Regional (E.g. Coaching at a county event)	National (E.g. Coaching England Squads)
UKCC L2 Coach	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ With experience
UKCC L1 Assistant Coach	✓	✓	✓		
Activator	✓	✓			
Rounders Young Leader	✓ Assisting	✓ Assisting	✓ Assisting		

Umpiring

For your league/club or team to achieve Rounders Mark, umpires will have a Rounders England qualification. Each team should have a minimum of 2 players with a qualification – the more people with a qualification, the more the umpiring responsibilities can be spread out amongst the players.

Rounders England Qualified Umpires will:

- Raise the quality of umpiring
- Ensure that they have the right level of umpiring knowledge for their role
- Safeguard the participants that they are working with during a rounders game
- With membership, be able to access the Rounders England Workforce Finder
- Sign an Umpires Code of Practice and return each year
- Undertake regular CPD and refresher opportunities

Umpiring Pathway

WE ARE ALL ROUNDERS ROUNDERS ENGLAND	Education sector friendly matches	Education sector competitive matches	Adult Social matches	Adult Team matches	National Finals	International fixtures
National Umpire	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Intermediate Umpire	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ With experience	
Preliminary Umpire/ RYLA	✓	✓ With support	✓ With experience			

4. Duty of Care and Welfare

For your league/club or team to achieve Rounders Mark you must comply with following:

- A league or club wanting to achieve Rounders Mark must have an overall Welfare Officer that has attended a 'Safeguarding and Protecting Children' workshop online or in person. Please provide Rounders England with a copy of the certificate. Work qualifications are suitable as well as UKCC/CPSU qualifications.
- A team wanting to achieve Rounders Mark must have an overall Welfare Officer that has attended a 'Safeguarding and Protecting Children' workshop online or in person. Please provide Rounders England with a copy of the certificate. Work qualifications are suitable as well as UKCC/CPSU qualifications.
- A league or club to have a qualified first aider on site during games and training. Please provide Rounders England with a copy of the First Aid Certificate.
- A team that trains separately to playing matches to have a qualified first aider on site during training. Please provide Rounders England with a copy of the First Aid Certificate.
- The Welfare Officer to have attended a Time To Listen Course – please contact our Workforce Department for more information – workforce@roundersengland.co.uk – Please note, if attended a Time to Listen Course through a different organisation, please send us evidence/a copy of a certificate.
- Code of Practice signed and returned to the league/club/team lead for the following:
 - [Coaches](#)
 - [Umpires](#)
 - [Players](#)
 - [Volunteers](#)
 - [Spectators](#)
 - [Parents/Carers](#)
 - [Young Persons](#)

Additional downloads

[Welfare Officer Download Pack](#)

[Risk Assessment Template](#)

[Incident Report Form - Adult](#)

[Incident Report Form - Children](#)

[Downloadable Resources](#)



5. Club Management

We recommend that leagues/clubs and teams are constituted. A constitution is a simple set of rules which are for you or your group and help make it clear to everyone involved what the group intends to do and how it intends to operate.

You can access a constitution template [here](#).

[Chair Role Descriptor](#)

[Team Captain Role Descriptor](#)

[Secretary Role Descriptor](#)

[Treasurer Role Descriptor](#)

[Head Coach Role Descriptor](#)

6. Opportunity to host Rounders England events

If your league/club/team has a suitable venue and would like the opportunity to Rounders England events, please submit your details to Rhian.Lilley@roundersengland.co.uk.

To host events you must have access to the following facilities:

Essential

- Venue available from 9am – 6pm
- a minimum of 3 pitches for the day
- Toilets and changing facilities available on the day
- Drinks facilities
- Parking
- Available for a Saturday or Sunday. For trials, availability is required in September/October

Desirable

- Indoor facilities in case of bad weather



7. Checklist

Duty of Care and Welfare		
Code of Practice	Signed	Documentation provided
Coaches		
Parents/Carers		
Players		
Spectators		
Umpires		
Volunteer		
Young Persons		
Welfare Officer Guidance Pack	Named Welfare Officer	Cert sent to RE
Qualified First Aider	Named First Aider	Cert sent to RE
Time To Listen Course	Named Welfare Officer	Evidence to RE
Workforce		
Qualification	Is the person delivering this correctly qualified?	Evidence to RE
Coaching		
Umpiring		
Club Management		
Is the Club Constituted? *	Yes/No	

Trials	Yes/No	Venue Spec correct
Would you like to host RE events		Yes/No

*don't have to be constituted to receive Rounders Mark

**evidence can be photos and documents which are scanned and emailed with this checklist





8.Submissions to Achieve Rounders Mark

Please send your submissions to achieve Rounders Mark to Rachael.lomas@roundersengland.co.uk.

There will be two submission deadlines during the year – 30th April and 31st October.

Once Rounders Mark is achieved, your league/club/team will hold it for up to three years as long as all the submissions are still within date.

