

# Hertingfordbury Cricket Club

The Recreation Ground, St Mary's Lane, Hertingfordbury



Members of:  
Hertfordshire County Cricket Association  
Hertfordshire Cricket League  
Affiliated to the Club Cricket Conference

Winners in 1999 of Division 5 of  
Hertfordshire Cricket League

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## **Hertingfordbury Cricket Club Policy for young players in adult cricket**

1. Making the step up from junior to adult cricket is a significant event in any player's cricket experience. The Club will ensure that the player's safety, personal development needs and overall cricket experience are considered.
2. There is no definitive age at which a player they should be introduced to adult cricket but each case is determined on an individual basis dependent on their ability and stage of cognitive and emotional maturity to take part at this level, taking into account the ECB guidance on Junior Cricketers playing in Adult Matches.
3. ECB Fast Bowling Directives and Fielding Regulations will always be adhered to for junior players in adult cricket.
4. The Club will provide an opportunity for players to show their talents in an appropriate way. The Club recognizes that children who are just used as fielders will not fully experience the game.
5. The Club will be supportive at all times for all forms of effort even when children are not successful. The Club will try and put them in situations where they will experience some success (however small) and ensure plenty of praise and encouragement.
6. The Club will involve them in all aspects of the game wherever possible i.e. socializing, team talks, practice, decision making etc. so that they feel part of the team.
7. The Club recognizes that children will often feel more comfortable and able to perform if they have a family member or friend also playing in the side.
8. The Club recognizes that children's early experiences will remain with them always and will often determine whether they want to remain playing the game or give up and do something else!