

Youth Development Cricket Manager



The Youth Development Cricket Managers will help organise and administrate representative teams from the six development centres. We will be running Boy's teams from U10 to U14 and Girl's teams at U11, U13 and U15. The Manager's role is a crucial one in ensuring that players have a positive experience of playing representative cricket. We currently have managerial vacancy for all 8 age groups in the six development centres.

Managers are role models for young players, and all aspects of their behaviour need to reflect this responsibility. Below is a list of characteristics that we believe are crucial to the role of a county age group manager:

- Objective
- Good Communicator
- Player focused
- Punctual
- Well mannered
- Approachable
- Trustworthy

What you will get out of it:

Our aim is to help produce not only good cricketers, but also good people. We hope that all Managers get a feeling of fulfilment and satisfaction by playing a major part in enabling young people to experience something special and helping them to develop as players and people during the process.

You will feel part of two teams: Your own age group side and also the Devon Cricket family, where we all try to develop players to be the best they can be whilst enjoying themselves at the same time.

You will become part of a highly respected County youth set up that has produced some outstanding professional cricketers and will play your part in creating the star cricketers of the future.

Job Description:

The role of a Manager for Development Cricket includes the following: Supported by the Pathway & Coaching Manager and the Development Centre Head Coaches;

- Attending all winter training sessions and matches.
- Liaising with Coaches and Managers to select winter squads as well as teams throughout the summer match programme.
- Manage the team on match-days which may include festival days, these will include liaising with the opposition, umpires and the host venue with assistance for the DCB.
- Be the main point of contact for parents on match days and winter training sessions.
- Produce match reports for local media.
- Confirm pre-arranged fixtures with other Counties and communicate match and travel information to parents, umpires and venues in advance of any fixture with assistance by the DCB.
- Attend occasional meetings with relevant groups.

Match Day – in partnership with team coach:

Pre-match

- Responsible for the appearance of your players.
- Responsible for equipment including first aid kit.
- Brief team on aims of game and any short-term targets.

During match

- Responsible for the appearance of your players.
- Ongoing communication to players. This includes batters knowing their roles, 12th man being included and rotation of fielders.
- Observations of fielder's angles / depth of keeper / overall shape and feel of the team.
- Assign roles to team members e.g. vice-captain, ball shiner and encouragement.

Post-match

- Thank the appropriate people.
- Make any notes necessary for future reference.

Approximate time commitment:

- Nine Saturday or Sundays (dependant on centre) winter age group sessions; either 10:00am-12:00pm, 12:00pm-14:00pm or 14:00pm-16:00pm. Between December and April.
- Approximately 5 to 10 matches varying between School holidays and Sunday's - these will be multiple formats.
- Maximum of two or three hours administration per week during the season and significantly less in the winter.
- Option to attend other age group sessions at your centre or other centres.
- You are able to claim travelling expenses incurred to and from games

Qualifications and checks required:

Managers must currently possess the following or commit to doing so shortly after appointment.

- DBS (formally CRB) clearance certificate.
- A valid First Aid certificate (completed within three years).
- A valid Safeguarding & Protecting Children certificate (completed within three years).

Desirable qualifications and experience:

Desirable but not necessarily required qualifications and experience for the role are:

- Minimum of a Level 2 qualified cricket coach.
- Experience at managing a youth squad at club or district level.

You are able to claim travelling expenses incurred to and from games.

How to apply:

If you are interested in applying for the role as Youth Development Cricket Manager for one of the Age Groups during the 2018 winter and summer 2019 and hopefully beyond, please contact our Pathway & Coaching Manager, Sandy Allen with the following information:

- 1) Personal contact details.
- 2) Current work/time commitments.
- 3) Why you would like to become a Youth Development Cricket Manager.
- 4) Please specify which age group you are interested in Managing.
- 5) What relevant skills you have to fulfil the role.

If you have any queries or questions about the role, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Sandy Allen on 07951 127199 or email sandy.allen@devoncricket.co.uk

Closing date is 12pm on Tuesday 31st July 2018