



Positively Volunteering Guidelines for Volunteers



Before starting your placement you need to make sure that you will be fully committed to the Step into Sport Programme. Below are some points of what your placement/club that you are with will be expecting from you.

What can the club expect of you as a volunteer?

- Commitment – Turn up when you agree to
- Enthusiasm
- Punctuality
- Reliability
- Well presented – clothing
- Prepared
- Positive Attitude
- Communication

You should also receive the same standards from your chosen placement. Below are some points that you should expect whilst you are volunteering with your club/placement.

What does a good placement look like?

- Welcoming
- Supportive – helps you learn
- Qualified Coaches
- Two way respect – value input from student
- Role model
- Safe
- Opportunities to learn
- Interesting
- Committed
- Friendly
- Well organised

Previous Placement Opportunities

There are many different types of placements that volunteers can choose to carry out through the Step into Sport programme. These placements can vary from volunteering at local sports clubs, community projects, after school clubs and many more. Volunteering at these placements can involve a lot more than coaching. There are many activities that volunteers can do for their placements such as:

- Organising events
- Officiating matches and games
- Completing awards and gaining qualifications
- Administration activities within the placement e.g. attend committee meetings
- Working with IT/Media

Previous volunteers have also contributed to the success of Northumberland Sport Events, which have included:

- Swimming Gala
- Sportsability
- StreetGames Regional Event
- Girls Football Competition
- PGA Seniors Golf Tournament

Examples of 2007/08 Placements

Football

Cramlington juniors
Wansbeck Girls Junior Football Club
Bedlington Junior Football Club

Trampolining

Vertex Trampolining

Cricket

Morpeth Cricket Club
Stockfield Cricket Club

Badminton

Morpeth Badminton Club
Allendale Junior Badminton Club

Hockey

Morpeth Hockey Club

Rugby Union

Morpeth RFC
Ponteland Rugby Club
Tynedale RFC

Horse Riding

South Lammermuir Riding Club

Girl Guides

Allen Balleys Cub Pack

Judo

Crawcrook Judo Club

Basketball

Hexham Basketball Club

Archery

Green Lane Archers

Tennis

South Northumberland Tennis Club
Ponteland Tennis Club

Examples from Previous Years

- Hexham Junior Netball Club
- Prudhoe Football and Youth Club
- Blyth Badminton Club
- Bedlington Netball Club
- Morpeth Rugby Club
- Wansbeck Gymnastics Club
- Ponteland Tennis Club
- Westgate Hoops