

Membership

As part of our positive and inclusive culture, RGU Sports Clubs wish to welcome everyone to take part in sport and physical activity. Membership provides students with the opportunity to represent the University in all British University and College Sport (BUCS) and Scottish Student Sport (SSS) competition. Your membership provides you with access to training, competition and ensures you are adequately insured for sports club activity.

It is an individuals' responsibility to ensure they have purchased the appropriate sports club membership prior to taking part in activity, and each club's responsibility to ensure individuals taking part have a valid membership by the deadline set out by the President of Sport and Physical Activity. This will be monitored by the Sport and Physical Activity Team (SPAT) under the guidance of the President of Sport and Physical Activity. If you do not purchase membership by the deadline, you will not be eligible to participate in any RGU Sports Club activity until a valid membership has been purchased.

Students with a valid student card can purchase and pay online via the online portal [Memberships - Leisure Hub \(rgu.ac.uk\)](https://rgu.ac.uk/memberships).

Community memberships must be approved via the President of Sport and Physical Activity. If you wish to purchase a community membership, please contact your club President, and presspa@rguunion.co.uk.

By signing up to RGU Sports Clubs, your personal data will be retained and processed in line with [RGU SPORT](#) and [RGU Student Associations Privacy Statement](#).

Membership fees can be found on the online portal and are broken down into the following categories:

Membership Type	Price
Student Annual	£80
Community Annual	£90
Semester Membership	£52
Second Club Membership (Available with proof of full first club membership, only at RGU sport reception)	£30

Participating in BUCS Competition

It is important that in order to compete in BUCS competition you register with the BUCS Play website 48 hours prior to your first fixture. Please familiarize yourself with the BUCS Play app as this will be used for entry into competition and submission of team sheets. Guidance on the use of BUCS Play can be found [here](#) and in specific detail in the 'BUCS Play' Section.

It is also important that as a member you are aware of BUCS rules and regulations and it is your responsibility to follow these. The Rules and Regulations can be found [here](#) as well as sport-Specific Rules and Regulations [here](#).

Forming a New Club/Team

In order to form a new club, you must arrange a meeting with the President of Sport and Physical Activity, this will entail evidencing sufficient membership interest to sustain club activity. This would normally be a minimum of 20 student members. An appropriate

strategic development plan should be developed which outlines key aims and objectives, risk assesses club activity and includes club constitution.

In order to create a new team, the club must present their case to the RGU Sports Forum, for approval. Upon approval a trial period will be agreed in which the club will run with the support of the RGU Sports Forum and the President of Sport and Physical Activity, for a minimum one academic year. To add an extra team, it is important to inform the President of Sport and Physical Activity a year in advance of the change so they can alter the support for the club and monitor whether the additional team is sustainable.

Maintaining a Club without an elected committee

Our Sport and Physical Activity Team (SPAT) will support clubs in an initial period to identify new members and recruit an elected committee. Should this not be possible the Sports Forum and the President of Sport and Physical Activity will present the decision to disband and remove support for the club.

General sports club membership

If you do a sport which does not have enough prospective members RGU sports clubs is still able to support you. We offer a reduced membership to students who still wish to compete in their sport in SSS and BUCS events. Please fill out the form [here](#) if interested.