

Table Tennis England Young Ambassadors (TTYA) Programme

Frequently Asked Questions

We are not a Premier Club, but are interested. What next?

Your club are welcome to sign up to the TTYA programme and encourage young people to volunteer at your club through the programme. However, Table Tennis England cannot commit to funding the incentives for your Young Ambassadors. Young Ambassador kit will be available for purchase on the Table Tennis England website on the Young Ambassador page <https://tabletennisengland.co.uk/young-ambassador-kit/> . For more information on how to become a Premier Club: <https://tabletennisengland.co.uk/clubs/clubs-guidance/club-affiliation/>

We are a Premier Club and have lots of potential Young Ambassadors. Can we enrol them all onto the programme?

There is no limit to the amount of Young Ambassadors per club, but clubs must commit to funding Young Ambassador incentives past the first three if a Premier Club, or all incentives for all Young Ambassadors if not a Premier Club. Young Ambassador kit will be available for purchase on the Table Tennis England website on the Young Ambassador page <https://tabletennisengland.co.uk/young-ambassador-kit/> .

I'm aged between 14-25 and don't belong to a table tennis club but would like to become a Table Tennis Young Ambassador. How do I make this happen? If you are a young person who is not currently a member of a table tennis club but are interested in becoming a Table Tennis Young Ambassador, please contact us on youngambassadors@tabletennisengland.co.uk and we will help you find a suitable opportunity.

I'm aged between 14-25, belong to a table tennis club but am unsure if my club have signed up to the programme or if there is a Volunteer Mentor.

In some cases, information about the programme may not have reached the correct person. Please contact youngambassadors@tabletennisengland.co.uk with the name of your club you are member of and we will speak to your club, informing them that we have received interest from one of their members interested in becoming a Young Ambassador.

What evidence is required for Young Ambassadors to achieve/receive each award?

All evidence of volunteered hours will need to be logged (using the form sent to your Volunteer Mentor upon registration) and submitted by emailing to youngambassadors@tabletennisengland.co.uk (cc'ing your Volunteer Mentor).

Our existing volunteers are concerned that they do not have capacity to take on an additional role of the Volunteer Mentor. How much work will the Volunteer Mentor be required to do?

We want to lighten the workload of existing volunteers, not create more. The Volunteer Mentor will simply act as the point of call for your Young Ambassadors if they require club specific support with their role. You will also be our first point of call when we communicate programme updates, provide instructions and how to claim incentives. Table Tennis England staff will be able to support your

Volunteer Mentors in their role when required. We have also included a basic job description for the Volunteer Mentor to aid your recruitment.

What information and support is available to ensure safeguarding best practice?

The CPSU (Child Protection in Sport Unit) have produced a free e-learning course about involving young people in sport which, although has been developed in partnership with the Football Association, will show you how you can increase young people's participation in the planning and running of sports activities, and how this benefits everyone. Whether you're a coach, club volunteer, committee member or potentially going to be the TTYA Volunteer Mentor at your club, this training course is for you. To complete the course, or for more information [click here](#). The course should take approximately 20 minutes to complete.

For Table Tennis England's full safeguarding information and policies, please visit our dedicated [safeguarding page](#).