



World Cup Cricketeer ambassadors Charlotte Edwards CBE and James Taylor with the ICC Cricket World Cup trophy at Lord's

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The recruitment of 4,000 volunteers for the ICC Cricket World Cup 2019 England & Wales is now open to the public.

- ICC Cricket World Cup 2019 are recruiting 4,000 volunteers, sign up <u>here</u>
- Applications open on 3 May and remain open until 15 June 2018
- Numbers will exceed previous ICC events in the UK including ICC Champions Trophy and ICC Women's World Cup 2017
- World Cup winner Charlotte Edwards CBE and 2015 World Cup England player James Taylor announced as ambassadors for the programme
- World Cup Cricketeers will be the faces of the tournament and will carry out a variety of roles across all 11 CWC19 venues, host cities and event locations

The ICC Cricket World Cup 2019 is presenting a record number of volunteers with the chance to be part of one of the biggest sporting events in the world after applications to be a World Cup Cricketeer went live today.

The World Cup Cricketeers will be made up of 4,000 volunteers who will be the faces of the tournament, showcasing the values of cricket as well as welcoming the world to England and Wales when the ICC Cricket World Cup returns for the first time in 20 years.

With over one million people expecting to attend matches and World Cup activations in England and Wales next summer - and a further 1.5 billion watching around the world - the ICC World Cup 2019 team are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to deliver an exceptional ICC Cricket World Cup 2019 for both fans and players.

Across eleven host venues and cities the volunteers will play a key role in the delivery of the six-week tournament with a range of roles, including transport, spectator services, accreditation, way-finding and fan-zones.

Recruitment will begin on 3 May through an online application process and will conclude on 15 June. The programme features a dedicated interview process followed by comprehensive training for successful candidates.

World Cup Cricketeers will experience the unique atmosphere of the ICC Cricket World Cup 2019, gaining important skills, meeting new people and contributing to a world-class tournament.

Steve Elworthy, Managing Director of the ICC Cricket World Cup 2019, said: "The World Cup Cricketeers programme will show the diversity of cricket as a global game. We want to engage with all ages, genders and communities and build on our impressive numbers of recent tournaments.

"The UK has a fantastic volunteer network which we hope to tap into. A successful tournament cannot be run without our 'World Cup Cricketeers' and we hope to welcome many new members to the ever-growing Cricket family."

ICC Cricket World Cup winner Charlotte Edwards and former England star James Taylor will be the faces of the World Cup Cricketeer programme. The duo will be attending interview days and training sessions to pass on their knowledge of playing in a sporting event of this scale.

James Taylor, Official World Cup Cricketeer ambassador, said: "I am delighted to be part of the World Cup Cricketeers programme and I urge everyone to apply to be a volunteer at next summer's showpiece event.

'There is no better chance to be the face of a global tournament in England and Wales and with that comes a unique opportunity to play an important role in the biggest event in cricket."

Charlotte Edwards, Official World Cup Cricketeer ambassador, added: "As a player you always highly appreciate the work that the volunteers do to provide a platform for greatness on the field of play - without a dedicated team of volunteers the tournament wouldn't be a success."

Candidates must be available for a minimum of three shifts across the tournament and available to attend training sessions in the run-up. Applications to be part of the World Cup Cricketeers team can be completed here.

For more information on the World Cup Cricketeers programme for the ICC Cricket World Cup 2019, contact the Cricket World Cup Volunteer team on cricketeers@cwc19.co.uk.

Notes to editors

The ICC Cricket World Cup 2019 will be hosted by England and Wales, from

30 May to 14 July 2019.

The ICC Cricket World Cup (CWC) takes place every four years, and is the culmination of a global qualification process that runs over a 5-6 year period.

The host venues are Lord's, The Oval, Bristol County Ground, County Ground Taunton, Hampshire Bowl, Cardiff Wales Stadium, The Riverside Durham, Old Trafford, Headingley and Edgbaston.

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