



WOLVERHAMPTON
WANDERERS FC

HOST FAMILY



Overview

Being a Host Family at Wolverhampton Wanderers is about creating an environment for a player to feel at home, as their family home is too far for them to train and be part of Wolves.

These players age from 14-19 years old. A host family can offer our young players a stable, safe and comfortable environment. We believe our players perform better on the pitch when they are settled and content.

At Wolves we pride ourselves on a nurturing environment and we want our players to fulfil their potential both ON and OFF the pitch.

How long do players stay?

The young players require a good quality home environment on either a temporary or full-time basis. The requirement ranges from hosting trialists for several days or weeks at a time, to longer term placements for several nights per week.

We require host families who are flexible, committed and understand that there may be times when a room is not required, or a room is needed at short notice.

Location and Property Requirements

Your home should be within **5 miles** of our training facility - WV3 9DU or within **5 miles** (Wolverhampton side) of our partner school Thomas Telford (TF3 4NW)

To accommodate a player they will require their own furnished room, access to Wi-Fi, storage, space/desk for their homework and access to laundry facilities. We would encourage the host families to help the young players gradually achieve independent living, in the same manner as you would develop your own family.



Application process

You will undergo a comprehensive application and screening process, as laid out in our Safer Recruitment policy. This will include DBS checks (anyone living in the home aged 16 years or older), local authority checks, home visits and references.

If you host a child under 16, you will need to go through a private foster care process. This is nothing to be concerned about, we would work with you and the local authority on this.

Players parents will retain all parental responsibility.

What do Wolves FC provide?

- Monthly payments to you as a host, including payment if the player is away on club business
- Transport for the young player to and from your home to training and matches.
- Support for the young player and host family
- Training for all host families including safeguarding and nutrition workshops
- A personal wellbeing plan for the player you host

What is required from you?

- Provide high-quality, nutritional meals (generally breakfast and evening, with occasional lunches) and be a non-smoking household.
- Support the young player by teaching them basic independent living and self-care skills such as washing clothes, cooking and cleaning up after themselves.
- Adhere to any further and ongoing requirements of Host Families, as outlined in the application process, including home visits from our Player Care and Safeguarding Teams.
- Attend regular training when required
- Report any welfare concerns to the Player Care Team should they occur
- Include our young people in family life as much as they feel comfortable with.
- Pass a property health and safety check including have a yearly gas safety certificate

Contact Information

For any questions or clarifications, please reach out to the email below

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