



# RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION **WOMEN**

22<sup>nd</sup> June 2011

Dear University Contact

## **University Club Rugby Information 2011/12 Season**

The RFUW would like to invite you to re-affiliate for the forthcoming season. Affiliation entitles a club to become a member of the RFUW, play friendly matches, enter RFUW competitions and be included under the main RFU club insurance policy.

We would like to remind all clubs of the decision taken by the RFUW prior to the start of the 2010/11 season to remove affiliation fees, which was part of the continuing RFUW/RFU integration process. We hope that this change has benefitted clubs and helped to reduce the costs of rugby participation for women and girls.

**Please remember that we still require your team to affiliate to the RFUW, even if your club is affiliated to the RFU.**

Please make sure you read all of the information enclosed carefully and return Form 4 to the RFUW by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2011 to guarantee your membership.

All clubs will receive further information, resources and confirmation of affiliation after the deadlines above, this information will also be available on our website.

### **Player Insurance and Public Liability**

- It is a requirement that all university teams are affiliated to the RFUW in order to play in the BUCS league and to have access to the required and compulsory insurance via Marsh Insurance for which there will be no additional charge for.
- By being affiliated to the RFUW this also allows clearer communication and support for university teams but also ensures that all players and officials are playing under the guidelines and regulations set out by the RFUW for the playing of rugby by women i.e. age bands, scrummaging laws and disciplinary action.

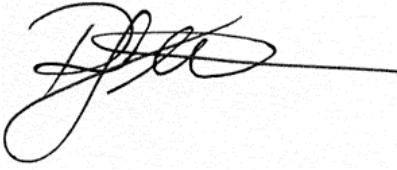
**BUCS will withhold entry to leagues from those Universities who are not affiliated with the RFUW. Please make sure you read the insurance information carefully and make your players aware of the cover that it provides.**

### **Additional Information Required**

If you are new to affiliate this season, or did not complete Form 17 (Coach Information) last season, or have made changes to your coaching team you will also need to complete this as part of your affiliation.

Please don't hesitate to contact the RFUW via [RFUWAffiliation@therfu.com](mailto:RFUWAffiliation@therfu.com) or telephone: 0208 831 7996 should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rosie Williams', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

**Rosie Williams**  
**Managing Director**