



Hosting a Touring Club

Dear Family,

Thank you for volunteering to host a touring player. Similar to hosting post game socials with visiting teams within our league to thank them for travelling, the Seattle Vikings also recognize the time honored tradition of hosting touring teams from around the globe. Organizing a tour can be a daunting and financially strenuous task. Recognizing the importance of touring to the game, the global rugby community works together to make sure it continues to happen.

Teams often elect to tour to show young players that Rugby truly is an international game. Sometimes a tour is organized around regional tournaments or rivalries. Whatever the reasons, tours are meant to be fun, memorable experiences. The Vikings strive to make sure we are able to provide that for touring teams.

Just as your child will meet warm, hospitable hosts when they embark on their next rugby tour, the Vikings take pride in giving the same welcome to our touring friends. The general responsibilities of a host family include providing the basics: Food, transportation, housing and hospitality. Remember that players will have been travelling for some time and may need to use laundry or internet facilities to contact parents and friends. Some activities with visiting players could include visits to local sporting events or attractions, having a bar-b-que, sightseeing or hiking. All efforts will be made to consider players ages and position when pairing players with host families to facilitate this process.

Again, thank you for helping to continue this tradition. You will receive an itinerary for all tour related activities and if you have any questions please feel free to contact us. You will also be provided with emergency contact information. Please feel free to contact any of the coaches with questions Have fun and we will see you on the pitch!

-The Seattle Vikings Staff!