Senior Women’s

There is a process to us approving any start of a senior women’s side in Wales. This is to ensure the sustainability and futureproofing of the female game. This process used to be called ‘A licence criteria’ this terminology will change to ‘Senior Women’s New Team Process (NTP)’ to avoid confusion with the facility A licence criteria for premiership clubs.

Outlined below are the requirements before we start the NTP. Clubs must complete the following form to begin the process –

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Ld7cADK-HV1nXeXSLxGJsc2zIXExTtp_gaItcSY77mc/edit> (PDF Attached)

The above is the club's commitment to individual areas of the game. Once completed they will need to achieve the following to receive the first stage of the NTP.

* 25 newly registered players (these players must be new to the game or inactive for some time) the registration portal will be opened for you when you have satisfied the other criteria.
* Suitably qualified coaches including identification of the Head Coach.
* A main point of contact that will attend the forums moving forward put on by the WRU team. This person and a Team manager will be given access to the team to manage the day-to-day admin of the side
* Adequate first aid cover in line with WRU Safeguarding regulations
* Link with the nearest WRU Female hub and have a member present on the Hub Management Group.
* The club will not receive funding for a women’s section and will also not receive reimbursement for any travel within the NTP Process fixtures outlined below.
* Devise a development plan along with the local Rugby officer for the female game

Once a club has completed the above, they will be awarded NTP status for the Season. Clubs are not able to play any games until the above is approved by the competitions committee. To complete the NTP and move to ‘National league Status’ they must sustain the above criteria and play 10 fixtures against other clubs within the first season. They will not be permitted to transfer (Unless by mutual consent) or permit players in this period.