



Arrangements for Visiting Ringers

We welcome prospective visiting ringers and new recruits. Visiting bellringers will be welcomed to ring for services, practice nights, outings, quarter peals or peals with the Worcester Cathedral Guild of Bellringers. We encourage you to peruse the information on the worcesterbells.org.uk website before finalizing the details of your visit.

We ask you to organize your visit by making a prior arrangement with the Ringing Master (contact via secretary@worcesterbells.org.uk). If you would like to learn how to ring bells, we encourage you to visit on a Monday evening when we ring. This means we can explain what is expected of you and what you can expect from us.

Please note that this requires you to read the relevant information on the worcesterbells.org.uk website and agree to the conditions on the second page of this document. You will need to scan or photograph the second page, sign it and then return a signed copy with your request to ring to secretary@worcesterbells.org.uk.

Please note that leaders of ringing groups will need to send separate copies signed by each member of the group with a list of all the names in the group.

I confirm that

1. I am aware of the significant numbers of stairs (137 steps) and am aware that certain medical conditions may make climbing to the Ringing Chamber inadvisable – these include (but are not limited to) heart conditions, asthma, vertigo, claustrophobia.
2. I have no pre-existing health issues that would stop me being physically able to climb up and down the 137 steps to the Ringing Chamber and, (in the case of emergency exit being needed), I confirm that I am able to climb further steps without problem and without impeding the pace of others using those emergency exit routes.
3. I have no Safeguarding Agreements or other Safeguarding Orders in place with any church, parish, diocese or tower.
4. I have read and understood the information provided in the Health and Safety Section on the worcesterbells.org.uk website, particularly SP01 in section 3, sections 10 and 11 of the Safeguarding and Protection Protocols, and sections 16 and 17 of the Fire Action.
5. I understand that the Ringing Master or his nominated deputy will decide on the bells and touches that I may ring.
6. I have provided my name to the Ringing Master or his nominated deputy and will not bring anyone else with me unless already discussed and agreed by the Ringing Master. Following such agreement, I will complete and submit section 10 of the Safeguarding and Protection Protocols for any minor whom I bring to the ringing room.
7. That I have read and understood the Health & Safety guidelines provided on the website and they will be adhered to.
8. That any children within my care will be supervised at all times.

Please note that if you tell us that you have a disability which puts you at a substantial disadvantage in either getting to the ringing chamber or ringing the bells, we will consider with you what adjustments, if any, are reasonable for us to make.

I understand and agree to abide by all of the rules and procedures as set out above, and I confirm that the statements 1- 6 are accurate.

Signature of the visiting bellringer

Date

Print name

For visiting ringers whose children are also visiting the tower, please complete the following additional information

1. I have informed the Ringing Master of the name(s) and age(s) of my child(ren).
2. I have read, understood and completed sections 10 and 11 of the Health and Safety section on the worcesterbells.org.uk website.
3. I will sign the tower register on arrival in the ringing chamber and put the name of the nominated responsible adult beside the name(s) of my child(ren) in the register.

Signature of the visiting bellringer

Date