

Safeguarding I, 2 and 3

The Children First Act, commenced in full on the 11th of December 2017, imposes certain requirements on clubs and all those involved in coaching and volunteering in sports.

- All coaches must be **Garda vetted** by 1st of January 2018. If a person continues to act in a coaching role without Garda vetting after the 1st of January, both the individual and the club are breaking the law.
- **Child Safeguarding Training is now mandatory** for many coaches. Please contact your National Children's Officer for guidance.
- All clubs must ensure that they have a **Children's Officer and a Designated Liaison Person** in place
- All National Governing Bodies will have an **appointed mandated person**.
- Providers of relevant services to children (i.e. sports clubs) must carry out a comprehensive risk assessment of services and develop a **Safeguarding Statement** (Required by March 2018)

Safe Guarding 1 is a mandatory course for any person working or volunteering with children in sport in any capacity. The 3 hour course is a mix of theory and group work and is a basic awareness course, looking at how we can keep adults and young people safe and happy within the club environment. This module will help to create and maintain a safe and fun environment for young people within the sports club or organisation. Cost €15 per person www.iregister.ie/krsp

Safeguarding 2 - Club Children's Officer (C.C.O)

A person appointed to the Club Children's Officer position in a club must have completed safeguarding 1 (Child Welfare & Protection Basic Awareness workshop) and should complete the NEW Club Children's Officer 3 hour workshop. This course will help the Club Children's Officer to carry out the function of their role in the club and support the implementation of best practice in the club. Participants will also receive a Club Children's Officer Action Planning document as part of the training.

Safeguarding 3 - Designated Liaison Person(DLP)

A person appointed to the Designated Liaison Person position in a club must have completed the Child Welfare & Protection Basic Awareness Course and should complete the NEW Designated Liaison Person 3 hour workshop. A club may appoint the same person to both the CCO and DLP positions however best practice advises that they are kept as separate roles.

06-Feb-18	Safe Guarding 1	St. Patricks Centre	6.30-9.30pm
10-Apr-18	Safe Guarding 1	St. Patricks Centre	6.30-9.30pm
15-May-18	Safe Guarding 1	St. Patricks Centre	6.30-9.30pm
06-Mar-18	Safe Guarding 2	St. Patricks Centre	6.30-9.30pm
13-Nov-18	Safe Guarding 3	St. Patricks Centre	6.30-9.30pm

