

# Checklist for SELECTING A SAFE SPORTING CLUB

The information below summarises the key questions that you should be asking to ensure the club you choose for your child has a focus on keeping children and young people safe.

A well-run club will welcome your questions as they know they have a duty of care to create a safe and inclusive environment for all children and young people.

**If the answer to any of the below questions is 'no', raise your concern with the organisation's child safe officer or integrity officer (or equivalent).**

Safeguarding questions	Yes	No
Does the club have a child safeguarding policy and child safeguarding commitment statement?  Is it accessible to all parents/carers?		
Does the club have a designated child safe officer, integrity officer, or MPIO?  Are their details promoted by the club?		
Does the club provide child friendly information to children on their rights to be safe and feel safe, including how to report a concern?		
Does the club have other policies in place to protect children and young people? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Complaints procedure</li> <li>■ Photography and filming policy</li> <li>■ Social media policy</li> <li>■ Codes of conduct</li> </ul>		
Does the club outline how they will communicate with parents/carers and young people?		
Does the club have transparent child safe recruitment practices for staff and volunteers? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Interviews</li> <li>■ Reference checks</li> <li>■ Working with Children Checks (or equivalent)</li> </ul>		
Do staff/volunteers at the club receive ongoing training and education on how to keep children and young people safe?		
Does the club communicate their approach to supervision of children and young people?  For example, what is the ratio of adults supervising children/young people?		

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<p>Does the club require parents/carers to sign consent forms for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Photography/filming</li> <li>■ Attendance at events/activities</li> <li>■ Medical information</li> <li>■ Emergency contact details?</li> </ul>		
<p>What first aid does the club provide? Do you know if there is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Qualified people to administer first aid</li> <li>■ First aid equipment</li> <li>■ A procedure for responding to and reporting injuries?</li> </ul>		
<p>Does the club encourage involvement of or engage with parents/carers and children/young people?</p> <p>Do they ask for feedback?</p> <p>Are parents/carers, children and young people included in decision making?</p>		
<p>Does the club have clear reporting processes for child safety concerns and other integrity issues?</p>		

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