

TRISudbury Triathlon Club

Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy

Review Date February 2020

TRISudbury acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice with British Triathlon, Swim England and England Athletics

The club is fully committed to working to the detailed requirements of the British Triathlon Federation this can be found at:

<https://www.britishtriathlon.org/britain/images/safeguarding/british-triathlon-safeguarding-and-protecting-children-policy.pdf>

The club has a Welfare Officer in place who has undertaken an up to date Safe Guarding and Child Protection course.

- A minimum of four coaching personnel have undertaken approved Safe Guarding and Child Protection training.
- The club has adopted codes of conducts for all coaches, officials and volunteers working with children and young people.
- The club has access to first aid equipment at all coaching sessions and competitions attended as a club.
- The club has emergency procedures for dealing with serious injuries/accidents.
- The club has access to a telephone (land line or mobile) at all coaching sessions and training.
- The club has secure, up to date database of contact details of parents/carers and emergency/alternative contacts.

- The club holds information on medical conditions of all young people in its care.
- All coaches have a pack with emergency contact details and medical information of all members that they carry with them at all coaching sessions.
- The club has the required number of lifeguard(s) present at all swimming sessions, adhering to the ratio determined by the facility's Normal Operating Procedures
- TRISudbury has an unaccompanied child policy that all parents and carers need to be aware of and comply with when their children sign up to the club
- Parents and children are given the option to 'opt out' upon joining the club, in which case they are not photographed or filmed. If the club will be filming or taking photographs during sessions, parents/carers and children will be informed and if they wish to 'opt out' every effort will be made to ensure that they are able to participate without prejudice.
- All children, regardless of age, any disability they may have, gender, racial origin, religious belief and sexual identity have a right to be protected from abuse."
- As per British Triathlon guidelines, those under 14 years will not share swimming lanes with adult members. Where ever possible 14-18 year old will have their own swim lanes. If youth members swim in adult lanes, a disclaimer will need to be signed by the parent or guardian and youth member.
- If any person has a concern with regard to a child's safety or welfare at any point please do not hesitate to inform a member of the coaching team or the Welfare Officer.
- It is important to remember that it is not your responsibility to decide whether a child is being abused. If you are concerned in any way please remain calm, make a detailed note of what you have seen or heard and pass the information on to the Welfare Officer who will diligently follow up your concern.



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