

DUBLIN RAIDERS BASKETBALL CLUB CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

Dublin Raiders Basketball Club acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice and adheres to Tusla, the Child and Family Agency requirements.

Our Child Safeguarding Policy recognises that the welfare and interests of children are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, ability or disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation, socio-economic background, that all children in the club will:

- Have a positive and enjoyable experience of basketball at Dublin Raiders Basketball Club in a safe and child centred environment.
- Are protected from abuse whilst participating in all basketball activities provided by Dublin Raiders Basketball Club

Dublin Raiders Basketball Club also acknowledges that some children, including children with additional needs and young people or those from ethnic minority communities, can be particularly vulnerable to abuse and we accept the responsibility to take reasonable and appropriate steps to ensure their welfare.

As part of our Child Safeguarding Policy, Dublin Raiders Basketball Club will:

- Promote and prioritise the safety and wellbeing of children and young people.
- Ensure everyone understands their roles and responsibilities in respect of safeguarding and is provided with appropriate learning opportunities to recognise, identify and respond to signs of abuse, neglect and other safeguarding concerns relating to children and young people.
- Ensure appropriate action is taken in the event of incidents/concerns of abuse and support provided to the individual/s who raise or disclose the concerns
- Ensure that confidential, detailed and accurate records of all safeguarding concerns are maintained and securely stored.
- Prevent the employment/deployment of unsuitable individuals.
- Ensure robust safeguarding arrangements and procedures are in operation.

Dublin Raiders Basketball Club's Child Safeguarding Policy will be widely promoted and is mandatory for everyone volunteering with the Club. Failure to comply with this policy will be addressed without delay and may ultimately result in dismissal from the Club.

Dublin Raiders Basketball Club commits to review this Policy each time an incident is reported or every 2 years if that is sooner. This will be carried out by the Designated Liaison Person.

In addition, should new or additional child protection legislation be introduced, Dublin Raiders Basketball Club will review current practices to determine the impact these legislative changes may have on the organisation and amend accordingly.