



Arnside Sailing Club

Child Safeguarding Policy and Procedures Dec 2019

Policy Statement

Arnside Sailing Club is committed to safeguarding, from physical, sexual or emotional harm, neglect or bullying, children taking part in its activities. We recognise that the safety, welfare and needs of the child are paramount and that all children, irrespective of age, disability, race, religion or belief, sex, sexual or gender identity or social status, have a right to protection from discrimination and abuse.

For the purposes of this policy anyone under the age of 18 should be considered as a child. All members of the Club should be aware of the policy.

Staff and Volunteers

The Club Welfare Officer and those regularly instructing, coaching or supervising young people will be required to apply for an Enhanced Criminal Records Disclosure, with Barred List check if appropriate. Volunteers and instructors who are new to the club whose role will bring them into regular contact with young people will be asked to provide references.

Good Practice

All members of the Club should follow the Club's good practice guidelines attached and agree to abide by the Club Code of Conduct and the RYA Racing Charter contained in the Racing Rules of Sailing. Those working or volunteering with young people should be aware of the guidance on recognising abuse (*see guidance on RYA website*).

Adults are requested not to enter changing facilities at times when children are changing before or after junior/youth training or racing. If this is unavoidable it is advised that they are accompanied by another adult.

The Club will seek written consent from the child and their parents/carers before taking photos or video at an event or training session or publishing such images.

Parents and spectators taking photos or videos should be prepared to identify themselves if requested and state their purpose for photography/filming.

If the Club publishes images of children, no identifying information other than names will be included. Any concerns about inappropriate or intrusive photography or the inappropriate use of images should be reported to the Club Welfare Officer.

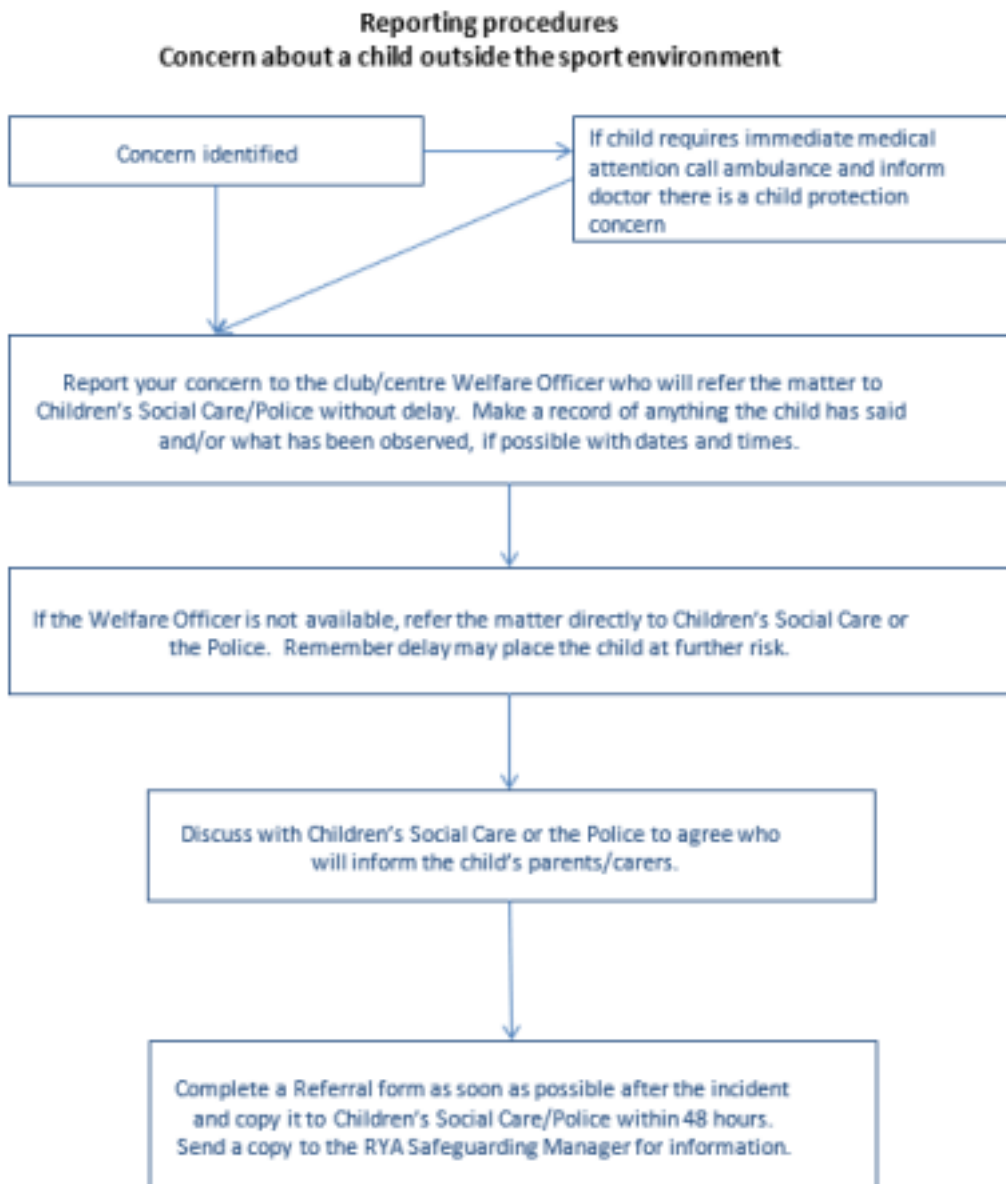
Concerns

Anyone who is concerned about a young member's or participant's welfare, either within or outside of the Club, should inform the Club Welfare Officer immediately, in

strict confidence. The Club Welfare Officer will follow the procedures recommended by the RYA in the below appendix.

Any member of the Club failing to comply with the Safeguarding Policy and any relevant Codes of Conduct may be subject to disciplinary action under Club Rule 19.

Appendix: RYA Recommended Reporting Procedures



Reporting procedures
Concern about the behaviour of someone at a club/centre

