

**SCOTTISH RUGBY - SAFEGUARDING POLICY**

**TEMPLATE FOR CLUBS**

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***Please note*** *– this is a* ***template document*** *and clubs may and are entitled, to add content to this policy as they wish. However the sections below must be included.*

*Scottish Rugby Safeguarding Policy can be found at scottishrugby.org.uk/childprotection*

*and is applicable for any young person aged under 18.*

**{CLUB NAME } Safeguarding Policy**

*[club name*] RFC acknowledges its responsibility to protect and safeguard the welfare of all children in [*club name*] from harm.

[club name] RFC recognises that all children have the right to participate in rugby union in a safe, enjoyable and positive environment whilst at the same time being protected from abuse, neglect or poor practice.

[club name] RFC confirms that it adheres to the Scottish Rugby Safeguarding Policy and the procedures, guidelines, and practices contained in that document and any successor policy.

[club name] confirms that it will appoint a Child Protection Officer (CPO) at the club. Their details will be available within the clubhouse and on the club website. The CPO will undergo Safeguarding training as directed by Scottish Rugby.

The [club name] CPO is [ ] and they agree to be contacted with any concerns regarding child protection and safeguarding and will take appropriate action.

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[club name] RFC agrees that all allegations or suspicions of abuse, neglect, harm or poor practice will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly, fairly and appropriately.

[club name] RFC recognises that all children have the right to expect that their participation in rugby union will be supported and delivered by suitably recruited, vetted and managed staff, whether they are volunteering or officiating.

All members of [club name] RFC who undertake regulated work must be member of the PVG Scheme with a Scheme Record Update if necessary.

{club name} acknowledges the Disclosure Scotland referrals process and agrees to action a referral if required.

[club name} agrees that any tours, oversees or domestic must comply with the relevant Scottish Rugby Regulations and Guidance relating to tours.