



LONDON VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION

SAFEGUARDING POLICY

The London Volleyball Association understands that it is extremely important to have a comprehensive approach to child protection so has adopted the Volleyball England Child Protection Policy and follows the Volleyball England guidelines:

THE LONDON VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION BELIEVES THAT:

- A child's welfare is always of paramount importance whatever the circumstances.
 - A child has the right to be protected from abuse, regardless of age, ability, gender, racial origin, religious belief or sexual orientation.
 - The rights, dignity and worth of a child should always be respected.
 - We will also take the following steps to achieve this aim.
 - Take all reasonable steps to ensure that unsuitable people are prevented from working or helping with the Association or member clubs.
 - Seek and provide training to ensure that all volunteers are aware of their responsibilities with regard to child protection.
 - Implement good practices.
 - Respond appropriately to suspicions of abuse.
 - The Children's Act 1989 states that anyone who is involved in the care of children should "do what is reasonable in the circumstances for the purpose of safeguarding or promoting the child's welfare".
 - All qualified junior coaches representing LVA junior teams will be DBS checked and abide the Coach Code of Conduct.
- Everyone working with children has a moral and legal responsibility to safeguard and promote a child's welfare particularly when it comes to protecting children from abuse.
- Special care should be taken when dealing with children whose age, inexperience or physical state makes them particularly vulnerable to abuse.
- We strive to create within our member clubs environments where all children and young people can learn about, participate in and enjoy volleyball free from abuse and harassment and to achieve this we have adopted the following policy:

[Volleyball England Safeguarding and Protecting Young People Policy](#)

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