

## TOP TIPS

# For Club Safeguarding Officers (CSO)

'What Good Looks Like' in Safeguarding for a Recreational Cricket Club in Surrey



#### **Top Tips For Club Safeguarding Officers (CSO)**

#### 1. Make sure that the CSO is fully qualified for the role.

- A current DBS from the ECB in place (ideally signed up to the update service)
- The appropriate ECB online courses completed.
- Attendance at an in-person Safe Hands course within 3 years.
- Safeguarding Training | Surrey Cricket Foundation has guidance on all training requirements & current course dates & booking details.

#### 2. Safe Hands Management System (SHMS)

- Ensure that the CSO is either the nominated club administrator for SHMS or has a good working relationship with the administrator.
- For any queries in relation to SHMS please contact your Club Support officer either <u>cmorris@surreycricket.com</u>, <u>preuby@surreycricket.com</u> or <u>elestrange@surreycricket.com</u>.

### 3. The ECB's 'Safe Hands' policy & all appropriate Safeguarding policies have been formally adopted by the club in a committee meeting & is clear in the minutes.

- Key policies include 'Listening to Children', 'Safeguarding Adults' and appropriate Codes of Conduct for players, juniors, parents and spectators.
- See <u>England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) The Official Website of the ECB</u> for further guidance on policies and templates.
- Key committee members should complete the necessary online ECB training (this is voluntary not mandatory, but it is strongly encouraged by Surrey Cricket Foundation).
- Safeguarding' should be on every committee agenda and the CSO should be a committee member.
- o Discuss safer recruitment processes with the club chair
- Carry out inductions for new volunteers/coaches
- Have in place active and visible Codes of Conduct

## 4. Ensure that all volunteers in key roles involved in 'regulated activity' in the club have current DBS checks & receive appropriate briefings from the CSO.

- <u>Safeguarding Training | Surrey Cricket</u> Foundation\_has guidance on DBS requirements in Cricket.
- The CSO should brief all captains, coaches, junior managers and other relevant roles to ensure they understand their responsibilities and how to respond to safeguarding concerns.

When in doubt or in need of support and guidance, contact Heidi Langrish

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