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SAFEGUARDING AWARENESS CERTIFICATE MODULE 1 – WHAT IS SAFEGUARDING?



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Safeguarding is a term used to explain the measures taken to protect the health, wellbeing, and human rights of individuals, especially children and vulnerable adults, from harassment, abuse, neglect and exploitation.



WHY SAFEGUARDING MATTERS

- ✓ Creates safe and positive environments
- ✓ Protects children and vulnerable adults
- ✓ Prevents harm, abuse and exploitation
- ✓ Promotes respect, fairness and integrity
- ✓ Ensures everyone feels safe to speak up



FIRST, DO NO HARM

The wellbeing of individuals must always come before reputation, success, wins or results.

SAFETY COMES FIRST.



OUR RESPONSIBILITIES

- Protect children and vulnerable adults
- Provide safe environments
- Treat everyone with respect
- Report safeguarding concerns
- Promote integrity in everything we do



SAFEGUARDING vs CHILD PROTECTION

Safeguarding is about **preventing** harm before it happens.

Child protection is about **responding** when harm has already happened.



CASE STUDIES EXAMPLES

- Recognising emotional distress
- Gifts and favouritism
- Online vulnerability
- Rule of Two in practice
- Course Assessment



ASSESSMENT

After reviewing the learning materials, participants will complete a multi-choice assessment to demonstrate their understanding.



"Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility"





What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding refers to the measures taken to protect the health, wellbeing and human rights of individuals, especially children and vulnerable adults. It helps people live free from harassment, abuse, neglect and exploitation.

Safeguarding is the responsibility of all organisations to ensure that staff, volunteers and activities provide safe and supportive environments for everyone.



Why Safeguarding Matters

Safeguarding creates safe and positive environments where individuals feel respected, protected and supported.

Key Principles:

- Protect children and vulnerable adults
- Prevent abuse and exploitation
- Promote respect and fairness
- Encourage safe reporting of concerns
- Support wellbeing and inclusion

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The wellbeing of individuals must always come before:
reputation- success- winning- marketing- endorsements.



Every organisation should place the safety and protection of people first.

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- Responsibilities of Organisations
- Organisations involved in sport, education and youth activities should:
 - Provide safe environments
 - Promote safeguarding awareness
 - Respond appropriately to concerns
 - Support children and vulnerable adults
 - Ensure safe leadership practices
 - Encourage integrity and accountability
- Safeguarding vs Child Protection



Safeguarding

Safeguarding focuses on preventing harm before it happens.

Child Protection

Child protection focuses on responding when harm, abuse or neglect has already occurred.

Important Reminder

Safeguarding is **everyone's** responsibility.

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