



CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT (Prepared in accordance with section 11 of the Children First Act 2015)

Name of Club _____

Nature of service & principles to safeguard children from harm

Our club provides sporting activities and opportunities for young people through participation in the sport of boxing as an affiliated club of the IABA. Our club is committed to safeguarding children by working under the guidance of our IABA Safeguarding Policies. All our volunteers and staff working with our young people, within our club, seek to create a safe environment for young people to participate in our activities.

Risk Assessment of potential harm to children whilst availing of our services:

This IABA Club Child Safeguarding Statement has been developed in line with requirements under the Children First Act 2015, (the Children First: National Guidance and Tusla's Child Safeguarding: A Guide for Policy, Procedure and Practice). In addition to our Risk Assessment document described above, there are further procedures that support our intention to safeguard children while they are availing of our activities. The IABA has the following procedures in place as part of our Safeguarding Code and Policies

Risk of harm to children who engage in services provided by the IABA	Procedure in Place to Manage Risk Identified
Reporting Procedures Recruitment/Training Club/Coaching Practices Risk of General Harm & Use of facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procedure for reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to Statutory Authorities. Compliancy- Reporting • Safeguarding training in place for all volunteers/staff who engage with children/vulnerable adults on a regular basis • Procedures for the safe recruitment of staff and volunteers to work with children in our activities • Vetting checks in place for all volunteers/staff who engage with children/vulnerable adults on a regular basis • Safeguarding Young People in Boxing Policy • Procedures for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct by staff or volunteers against a child availing of our activities • Code of Conduct & Disciplinary/Complaints process • Procedures for access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm • Anti-Bullying Policy • Safeguarding Young People in Boxing Policy

Procedures

The Child Safeguarding Statement of the IABA has been developed in line with requirements under the Children First Act 2015 & Children First: National Guidance for the Protection & Welfare of Children (2017). In addition to the procedures in place to manage risk, detailed above, the following procedures support the safeguarding of children who come in contact with the IABA:

- The safety and welfare of children is everyone's responsibility.
- The best interests of the child should be paramount.
- Procedure for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct against workers/volunteers of a child while availing of our service.
- Procedure for provision of and access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm.
- The relevant/mandated person for the purposes of the Children's First Act 2015 is The National Child Protection Officer – **David Britton 0860453904**.

Implementation

Our club is committed to implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement and the procedures that are in place to support the commitment to keep children safe from harm. This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed within 24 months of the date below, or as soon as practicable after there has been a material change in any matter to which the statement refers.

Name of Club and address:

Chairperson/President:

Name:

Signed:

Date:

Club Children's Officer:

Name:

Signed:

Date:
