



CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT AND POLICY

ABINGDON TOWN AMATEUR BOXING CLUB

This Club is an Affiliated Member of England Boxing and as such adopts the following Club Child Safeguarding Policy which is supported by and compliments the England Boxing Child Safeguarding Policy – these policies are mandatory and acceptance of them is a non-negotiable requirement when becoming a member of this club. You may obtain copies of the England Boxing Child Protection Policy from the England Boxing Office on 01142 235639 or it can be viewed / downloaded from the England Boxing website at www.EnglandBoxing.org

Our statement

- ✓ This club has a duty of care to Children and Young People [under 18 years of age] and the safety and welfare of them is paramount.
- ✓ This club is committed to ensuring that every child & young person regardless of age, ability, racial origin, religious belief, sexual orientation or gender (including gender reassignment) has a right to learn, participate in and enjoy boxing, free of the fear and safe from abuse of any type.

Our Policy – What we will do.

- ✓ This club acknowledges that it has a legal and moral responsibility to ensure the wellbeing of Children and Young People within the club.
- ✓ This club acknowledges that every child and Young Person has a right to enjoy membership and the sport of amateur boxing within a safe enjoyable setting.
- ✓ This club will continually review this policy in the light of identified 'best practice'.
- ✓ This club acknowledges that every member including Committee, Coach, Official, and Volunteer have amoral & legal responsibility to safeguard and promote every child & young person's welfare.
- ✓ This club ensures that required Coaches, Officials and Volunteers shall at all times possess a current England Boxing Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) certificate. Non-compliance with this provision will automatically exclude such persons, and possibly the club, from roles requiring DBS certificates as required in the England Boxing Safeguarding Policy.
- ✓ This club is committed to preventing the employment/deployment of unsuitable individuals.

- ✓ This club has appointed a Club Welfare Officer ('CWO') whose name appears below, who is responsible for:
 - administering this Child Safeguarding Policy;
 - ensuring that confidential, detailed and accurate records of all safeguarding concerns are maintained and securely stored;
 - your induction, which includes the provision of the England Boxing Child Safeguarding Policy, the Children and Young People's Charter, and instruction on Child Protection within the Club and within England Boxing; and ensuring your appreciation of its requirement of strict compliance.
- ✓ This club will treat seriously and deal rigorously with any incidence of abuse and will at all times follow.
- ✓ the principles and procedures laid down in the England Boxing Child Safeguarding Policy and the Safeguarding Procedure.
- ✓ Any abuse or inappropriate behaviour regarding Children & Young People will be challenged and dealt with appropriately.
- ✓ This club clearly understands that abuse comes in many forms which include
 - emotional, physical and sexual;
 - neglect;
 - foul language, bullying and requiring an athlete to train at an inappropriate level is also recognised as a form of abuse; and
 - abuse of a position of trust, such as exist between a coach and a child or young person.
- ✓ This club acknowledges that it is the responsibility of experts to determine whether or not abuse is /has taken place, it is however everyone's responsibility to report concerns and / or abuse.

**WE ALWAYS REMEMBER, IN CASES OF CONCERN OR ABUSE –
DOING NOTHING IS NOT AN OPTION!!!**

Monitoring

The policy will be reviewed a year after development and then every three years, or in the following circumstances:

- changes in legislation and/or government guidance.
- as required by the Local Safeguarding Children Board, UK Sport and/or Home Country Sports Councils and/or England Boxing's National Compliance Manager.

- as a result of any other significant change or event, including changes to England Boxing's Child Safeguarding Policy.

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Contact Details

	Name:	Contact Number:
Club Welfare Officer	Joanna Holton	07853184612
Regional Safeguarding Officer	Ben Malcher	07809410692
National Compliance and Safeguarding Manager	Paul Smith	07590 600001
England Boxing	Contact	0114 2235654

In cases of EMERGENCY the telephone number of the Children's Social Care Services is:

Children's Social Care Services 'Out of hours' Telephone number: 0800 833 408

The telephone number of the Police Child Protection team is: 101

Local Police 'Out of hours' Telephone number: 101

Police, Ambulance and Fire Service Emergency Telephone Number : 999

Your nearest Accident and Emergency Department is located at: Oxford John Redcliffe Hospital

Telephone number: 01865 337267

Our nearest Automated External Defibrillator AED device is located: in the changing rooms at AUFC

Helplines

<http://www.nspcc.org.uk/>

Worried about a child? Advice and support whenever you need it.

Tel: [0808 800 5000](tel:08088005000) | Email: help@nspcc.org.uk

<http://www.childline.org.uk/>

A free and confidential helpline for children who have concerns.

Tel: [0800 1111](tel:08001111)

A message to all Children and Young people within this club

If you are, or believe you are being abused in any way and this includes harassment or bullying, you should speak to your coach, welfare officer or any adult you feel comfortable speaking to.

If you feel you cannot speak to anyone within this club regarding this matter, you should contact any of the Safeguarding Officers at Divisional, Regional or National level their contact details are shown above and you will not be criticised for doing so.

Alternatively – please contact the NSPCC Help Line also shown above.
Do not allow any type of abuse to go unreported or to continue against you.

‘SPEAK UP’ YOU WILL BE SUPPORTED’.

In a safeguarding emergency, where a young person is at immediate risk of harm, call 999

You are urged to either, download from this site or request hard copy from the Club Secretary or the England Boxing Office, Sheffield the following documents:

England Boxing Safeguarding Pages:

<https://www.englishboxing.org/clubs/child-protection-and-safeguarding/>

Key safeguarding documents:

England Boxing Safeguarding Policy
England Boxing Adults at Risk Policy
England Boxing Safeguarding Procedure

Other related policies and documents:

What to do if you have concerns about the safety of a child
Club child protection policy template
Coach and Volunteer Safeguarding Guidance
Guidance on dealing with bullying
Children and young people’s charter
Changing room guidelines for clubs
Travel safe with children team manager’s guide
Transporting Children and Hiring Transport Policy
Child protection officers at events
Club Welfare Officer handbook
Safeguarding referral form
Positions and breaches of trust
Managing challenging behaviour
Appropriate communication guidance
Adults at risk policy

Whistle blowing guide
Parental consent form – doping test
Parental consent form – photography
Parental consent form – travel
Video and photography at events
Flowcharts – Disclosure of Information
Flowcharts – If you have concerns about anyone’s behaviour in boxing
Flowcharts – If you have concerns about a child being abused outside a boxing environment.

THIS CLUB POLICY MUST BE DISPLAYED OPENLY WITHIN A PUBLIC AREA IN THE CLUB

This is a sample club safeguarding policy statement, for use by sports organisations. Created by the NSPCC Child Protection in Sport Unit and adapted for England Boxing.

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