Safeguarding newsletter



Thank you for everyone who attended one of the Time to Listen courses, held by LondonSport. We appreciate that this is a long training session but really appreciate your time and effort and hope that you found it interesting and went away with more tools to carry out your roles and help improve the club culture.

More sessions will be released soon, or if you simple can't wait, have a look on the UK Coaching website to book on a course with them directly. Welfare Officer Training: Time to Listen - UK Coaching.

We really do appreciate that you've all busy lives and usually, the people who do volunteer are already balancing several other commitments.

If you do have time, we recently held two webinars on supporting members with Dementia and Neurodiversity, recordings of which are now on the British Orienteering You Tube channel, see Neurodiversity in sport and Supporting Members with Dementia – we're currently putting some guidance together around Neurodiversity in orienteering so please let me know there is anything your already club does to be more inclusive – we'd love to include it.



Check your websites

Please check you have the correct mobile number for me on your website.

The correct number is **07891091662** (not ending in 622!) and please check your hyperlinks all work, especially in relation to the reporting forms.

We've had a few of them stop working recently, I can help fix them if you've having issues.

Scan me to report an incident

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Incident Reporting Form - QR code

We've created a QR code which links directly to the online incident reporting form.

This can be printed off, laminated, and put on show at events so that anyone can report. The incident reporting form is for reporting an incident, near miss or safety/safeguarding concern that has occurred during any form of Orienteering.

Reporting an incident helps us to understand the types of incidents occurring and identify trends. This helps to inform our guidance and enables us to address safety issues and concerns.

Our approach to incident reporting is based on learning from what went wrong and preventing similar incidents from happening in the future. It is not designed to point blame or result in negative consequences.

View QR Code

Trips Away Guidance

The British Orienteering Trips Away Guidance has been updated and is on it's own section on the Safeguarding webpage, along with other resources.

This guidance should be followed for any nights away involving juniors.

- **Trips Away Guidance**
- **Trips Away Guidance - summary for TMs**

Coaches – Safeguarding Training

If your club members are coaching juniors, they need to ensure they have taken the following courses.

tThe UK Coaching Safeguarding and Protecting children training course; Safeguarding & Protecting Children - UK Coaching, or at the very least, the British Orienteering eLearning Introduction to Safeguarding course; eLearning Intro and Course Menu.

If you could remind them of this it would be much appreciated.

Sport Welfare Officers

If you haven't already done so, you might find it useful to link in with your local Sport Welfare Officers. They can help with safeguarding but can also help with club development and have access to other funding streams so worth having a chat with.

To find out who your local Sport Welfare Officer is, who can assist with the below, please click here Find your Sport Welfare Officer - Active Partnerships

- Providing additional, local support for club welfare officers
- Signposting clubs to the right advice and guidance
- Working with club welfare officers to create a safer culture within their organisation
- Facilitating local training opportunities and events
- Creating networks so that volunteers and staff feel better connected and informed
- Recognising, sharing and developing best practice
- Helping to raise awareness of safeguarding and welfare for young people and adults at local events

Connect with your Local Welfare Officer