

Safe Hands

The ECB is committed to continuing to provide an environment that is safe, welcoming and friendly for children to enjoy the game of cricket.

Safe hands – Cricket’s Policy for Safeguarding Children provides the framework and the tools for the whole game to take up the challenge of continuously improving the cricket environment for children and young people.

Safe Hands ensures that the many thousands of coaches and volunteers integral to the game are supported.

The Policy is backed up by a comprehensive training and education programme, a structured implementation plan and a sensitive process to respond to concerns.

The Policy and associated documents are available to download on ecb.co.uk.

Alternatively it may also be purchased via your County Board at a cost of £10, inclusive of postage and packaging.

Once appointed, your Club Welfare Officer will be able to attend a training course regarding their role, requirements and responsibilities. At this course they will be given a complimentary copy of the Policy.

How will Safeguarding and Child Protection affect me?

Safeguarding and Child Protection in Cricket is applicable to all.

A club must nominate a Club Welfare officer, who will advise and ensure that Safeguarding is being addressed by the club.

The Safe Hands – Cricket’s Policy for Safeguarding Children has been developed to provide a comprehensive and complete guide to all those who participate in Cricket

What does my club need to do?

Safeguarding and Child Protection will not be implemented overnight. It is a long-term process. It is the responsibility of the whole club to implement the appropriate Safeguarding policies and procedures.

Club Welfare Officers

- The Club Welfare Officer must attend a 'Safeguarding and Protecting Children' workshop accredited by Sportscoach UK (3 hours).
- The Club Welfare Officer must have a Vetting Check.
- The Club Welfare Officer must attend the ECB Safe Hands Workshop advising on the role, requirements and responsibilities of child safeguarding in Clubs. Contact your County Board to access this course.