



## **CHILD PROTECTION POLICY**

### **Safeguarding and Protecting Children In Sport.**

**Shiverers Swimming Club will comply with the Amateur Swimming Association Child Protection Procedures. The NSPCC have also developed National Standards that are to promote best practice so that a safe environment for anyone under the age of 18 is achieved.**

**The policy aims are:**

- Children and young people have the right to enjoy sport free from all forms of abuse and exploitation;**
- Have equal rights to protection from harm;**
- Have the support of care and protection from everybody;**
- Receive a duty of care from sporting organisations whilst taking part in sport.**

**We acknowledge our Duty of Care towards all our members and are committed to a practice which protects children from harm.**

**All Coaches, Teachers and Helpers have been checked via the Criminal Record Bureau. All staff and helpers in this Club are required to accept and recognise their responsibility to develop awareness of any issues that cause children harm. Training in this area is, and will be provided and promoted.**

**Our priority is to share information about Child Protection and good practice with Children, Parents, Coaches, Teachers and volunteers.**

**We also acknowledge our responsibility towards sharing information about any concerns with agencies that need to know, and to involve parents and children appropriately. In accordance with ASA Policy, any incidents or complaints will be recorded. This also, will be undertaken in accordance with the ASA Guidelines on confidentiality and information sharing.**

**If any swimmer/parent or carer of others wish to raise any issue with regard to Child Welfare please contact the Club Welfare Officer, Carolyn Margaroli on 01903 247714.**

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