Child safeguarding Statement and Policy

[inset club name]

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.England Boxing.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.

[club name]

# Contact Details

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|  | Name: | Contact Details: |
| Club Welfare Officer | [insert name] |  |
| Regional Safeguarding Officer | [insert name] |  |
| National Compliance and Safeguarding Manager | Anthony Sheppard | ***07590 600001***  safeguarding@englandboxing.org |
| England Boxing | Head Office | ***0114 2235654***  safeguarding@englandboxing.org |

***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:***

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

***Local Police ‘Out of hours’ Telephone number:***

***Police, Ambulance and Fire Service Emergency Telephone Number : 999***

***Your nearest Accident and Emergency Department is located at:***

***Telephone number:***

***Our nearest Automated External Defibrillator AED device is located at:***

# 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](mailto: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.englandboxing.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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