



Safeguarding FAQ

Who attends Safeguarding 1?

All persons with responsibility for underage persons in their units must attend and complete Safeguarding 1, the Basic Awareness Training Workshop. This includes coaches, tutors, mentors, managers, Children's Officers, Designated Liaison Persons (DLP) and anyone deemed to require the training by their unit. The course is a 3hour workshop highlighting best practices in safeguarding and welfare of children in our sport.

Do we recognise other safeguarding qualifications?

Camogie Association along with its partners in the GAA and LGFA recognise the Sport Ireland Qualification only.

It is highly recommended that the sports' specific course developed for Gaelic Games be taken by its members.

Do I receive a certificate when I complete the course?

Yes, there will also be a unique reference number on the certificate validating this record. In the case of courses delivered through the GAA/Camogie/LGFA, these records can be checked by contacting the National Children's Office in Croke Park.

Can anyone aged 16yrs-18yrs attend these safeguarding courses?

Yes, anyone over 16 years of age may attend once the tutor has received a parental/guardian consent form prior to the start of the course.

Can anyone under 16yrs have a coaching role within our club?

No. Under Children First legislation everyone who has a defined role of responsibility in a unit for working with children must be vetted and have completed a Safeguarding 1 workshop. They are also required to have completed a basic coaching qualification. Therefore, anyone Under 16 years of age cannot fulfill these criteria and must not be assigned designated roles of mentoring children in their respective units.

Who attends Safeguarding 2?

Safeguarding 2 is a 3hour workshop for any person appointed to the role of Children's Officer for their respective unit. The person must have completed Safeguarding 1 prior to attending this workshop. This workshop is designed to educate Children's Officers on their role and enable them to enact best practices within their units.



How long is Safeguarding valid?

Currently there is currently no expiry date on this newly designed course.

Who must be Vetted?

Anyone who carries out a role of responsibility within a unit for underage players must be vetted such as managers, coaches, selectors, mentors etc. This also applies to organisers of underage activities and referees. There may also be roles that the executive of a unit may deem necessary for people to be vetted prior to undertaking.

Can anyone under 18yrs be vetted?

Anyone over 16 years of age can be vetted once prior parental consent has being given and the National Vetting Bureau Parental/Guardian Consent form has been signed. The parent/guardian's contact information must also be given on the consent form and actual vetting application for communications.

How long does Vetting take?

Online vetting typically takes 2-4 weeks to complete. After which each successful applicant and their club secretary will be emailed a copy of their certificate with unique reference number. This correspondence should then be filed in a safe and secure location.