



Perth City Swim Club



CLUB CHILD PROTECTION POLICY STATEMENT

We, the Club, believe that Good Practice at Perth City Swim Club is as follows:

1. The welfare of children is everyone's responsibility, particularly when it comes to protecting children from abuse. Everyone in swimming – administrator, Club official, coach, parent, friend, children themselves, everyone – can help. Children and young people have a lot to gain from swimming. Their natural sense of fun and spontaneity can blossom in positive sporting environments. Swimming provides an excellent opportunity for children to learn new skills, become more confident and maximise their own unique potential. Perth City Swim Club will always place the needs of the child first.
2. The underlying principles with respect to Child Protection are that:
 - The child's welfare is the first consideration.
 - All children, regardless of age, any disability they have, gender, racial origin, religious belief and sexual identity have a right to be protected from abuse.
 - Children and young people must be treated with integrity and respect.
 - Children and young people's programmes and competitions will be relevant to their ages and stages of development.
3. We are committed to following the current Scottish Swimming's Child Protection guidelines. All our adult helpers are members of Scottish Swimming.
4. Perth City Swim Club:
 - aims to create an enjoyable environment, where young people have the right to be safe, secure and free from threat;
 - acknowledges that young people have the right to be treated with respect and for their concerns to be listened to and acted upon;
 - will aim to ensure that junior members have specific programmes designated for them, with adequate supervision;
 - is committed to ensuring that all helpers, whatever their role, complete a Club Registration Form, sign a Code of Conduct and complete a Self Declaration Form in relation to Child Protection;
 - provides clear, comprehensive, easily understood procedures for dealing with
 - allegations of abuse;
 - requests for help and support on a confidential basis;
 - will always emphasise fair play.
5. Our Child Protection Officers are:
 - Doug Mitchell Contact telephone number 01738 828895
 - Chris Warwick Contact telephone number 01738 813371 (CP Administration)



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Perth City Swim Club has a Child Protection Policy which places the needs of the child at the centre of our club.

A full copy of the Child Protection Policy and associated procedures are available on the Perth City Swim Club Website (www.perthcityswimclub.com) and in the club folder which is held at the pool reception desk.

There are 2 Child Protection Officers:

- Doug Mitchell 01738 850302
- Chris Warwick 01738-813371

If you feel uncomfortable about anything which is happening to you or a friend in Perth City Swim Club please get in touch with either Chris or Doug. They will listen and advise you on what can be done and will not tell anyone else without your permission.