

Responding to a safeguarding concern about: **Online safety**

Online incident raised by child / young person / volunteer or member of staff.

Complete incident form and inform Activity Alliance safeguarding lead.

Incident is inappropriate but not illegal e.g. exclusion or peer rejection, impersonation, manipulation, adult content i.e. jokes, violent action films.

If the child / young person / adult requires immediate medical attention, call an ambulance, and inform the doctor that this is a safeguarding concern.

If a volunteer or member of staff is accountable, the Activity Alliance safeguarding lead in conjunction with an independent officer (Child Protection in Sport Unit) will decide on the appropriate course of action.

Possible internal actions

- Inform parents / carers.
- Carry out risk assessment to prevent future incidents.
- Counselling for child if necessary.
- Disciplinary action for staff member.
- Set up task and finish group to evaluate.

Incident involves illegal material or activity e.g. harassment and stalking, intimidation and threats, grooming, sharing sexually explicit material with a child, unauthorised publication of personal information or images.

Illegal activity

Illegal content

Child, young person, or adult at risk?

Report to police and refer incident to the Activity Alliance safeguarding lead.

Report to Internet Watch Foundation (IWF) and refer incident to Activity Alliance safeguarding lead.

Report to police if risk is immediate danger, or Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) Safety Centre, and refer incident to the Activity Alliance safeguarding lead.

Follow advice on securing and preserving evidence until the relevant agency can review it.

Instigate incident debrief, evaluate and implement any changes. Make amendments to process and policies if necessary.