Role of National Governing Bodies on Code of Ethics

- Development of Sports Specific Policy
- Implementation of Best Practice to affiliated clubs
- Manage the Garda Vetting process
- Service provider on accessing Code of Ethics workshops
- Provide link to Clubs on Best Practice Guidelines
- Raise awareness on Child Welfare and Protection in Sport
New Legislation being Processed

✓ The National Vetting Bureau Act 2012
✓ Withholding of Information Act 2012
✓ Children First Act 2015
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Legislation 2015

National Vetting Bureau (Children & Vulnerable Adults) Act 2012

- Children & Vulnerable Adults
- Vetted before employed
- Vetting Disclosures
- Specified Information
- E-vetting & ID check

Children First Act 2015

Safeguarding Statement (3-months)
Reviewed every 2-years
Designated Liaison Person (paid employee)
Training Plan
Monitoring
Safeguarding 1
• Child Welfare & Protection Basic Awareness Course

Safeguarding 2
• Club Children’s Officer

Safeguarding 3
• Designated Liaison Person(DLP)
Safeguarding 1 - Child Welfare & Protection Basic Awareness Course

All Coaches, Children’s Officers and Designated Liaison Persons (DLP) must first complete the 3 hour Child Welfare & Protection Basic Awareness Course. This course educates participants on the implementation of best practice in protecting the welfare of children involved in sport.
Safeguarding 2 - Club Children’s Officer (C.C.O)

A person appointed to the Club Children’s Officer position in a club must have completed safeguarding 1 and should complete the NEW Club Children’s Officer workshop.

This workshop will help the Club Children’s Officer to carry out the function of their role in the club and support the implementation of best practice in the club. Participants will also receive a Club Children’s Officer Action Planning document as part of the training.
Safeguarding 3 - Designated Liaison Person (DLP)

A person appointed to the Designated Liaison Person position in a club must have completed the Safeguarding 1 workshop before attending the NEW Designated Liaison Person workshop. A club may appoint the same person to both the CCO and DLP positions.

(see your own NGB policy)
Safeguarding Checklist

The Safeguarding Checklist helps you to identify key safeguarding policies and practices that...
Suspected Child Abuse

If you are a parent/guardian or coach/volunteer you should report any observations or concerns relating to alleged instances of inappropriate behavior or child abuse to your Designated Liaison Person or Club Children’s Officer immediately.

Anyone can report a concern about a child. If you have any concerns about a child you should report it to the Child and Family Agency. A report can be made in person, by telephone or in writing. Any member of the public who has a
Organisations must have protection and welfare of the child as central philosophy.

Duty of care to children is onerous – due to relationship of trust (“loco parentis”).

- What is required at law? Reasonableness in all circumstances, that groups have taken every reasonable precaution to ensure the protection and welfare of children while in your care.
- Not a ‘paper exercise’ the law will look beyond the page, at degree and rigour of implementation on the ground.
- Recruitment and training – for staff and volunteers (you are ‘inviting’ people in to work with children and young people).
- Codes of behaviour – put in place and monitor.
Child Welfare v Child Protection
Club sustainability
Culture of Youth sports—where are the gaps?
What would young people say?
What do you want your legacy to be?