



Risk Assessment Document for Moycarkey Coolcroo A.C.

This risk assessment considers the potential for harm to come to children whilst they are in *Moycarkey Coolcroo A.C.*'s care. This risk assessment precedes the Child Safeguarding Statement (Section 11 (1b) Children First Act 2015) which is developed following this risk assessment process. In accordance with the requirements of Section 11 (1) of the Children First Act 2015 the risk is of abuse and not general health and safety risk (covered under a separate H&S policy and risk assessment).

Section 11 (1) of the Children First Act 2015 states that where a person proposes to operate as a provider of a relevant service, he or she shall, within 3 months from the date on which he or she commences as such a provider —

(a) Undertake an assessment of any potential for harm to a child while availing of the service (in this section referred to as a "risk").

Potential risk of harm to	Likelihood of harm	Required Policy, Guidance	Responsibility	Further action required		
children	happening L-M-H	and Procedure document	Club/Region/National			
CLUB & COACHING PRA	CLUB & COACHING PRACTICES					
Lack of coaching	M	 Coach education policy 	Club	Proof of qualification to be confirmed		
qualification		 Recruitment policy 				
Supervision issues	Н	 Supervision policy 	Club	Ongoing review		
		 Coach education policy 				
Unauthorised	M	Photography and Use of	Club	Ongoing review		
photography & recording		Images policy				
activities						
Behavioural Issues	M	 Code of Conduct 	Club	Ongoing review		
		 Safeguarding Level 1 (min) 				
		 Complaints & Disciplinary 				
		policy				





Potential risk of harm to children	Likelihood of harm happening L-M-H	Required Policy, Guidance and Procedure document	Responsibility Club/Region/National	Further action required
Lack of gender balance amongst coaches	M	Coach education policySupervision policy	Club	Ongoing review
No guidance for travelling and away trips	M	Travel/Away trip policyChild SafeguardingTraining	Club	Ongoing review
Lack of adherence with misc procedures in Safeguarding policy (i.e. mobile, photography, transport)	M	Safeguarding policyComplaints & disciplinary policy	Club	Ongoing review
COMPLAINTS & DISCIP.	1			
Lack of awareness of a Complaints & Disciplinary policy	M	 Complaints & Disciplinary procedure/policy Communications procedure 	Club	Immediate action needed Greater communication required
Difficulty in raising an issue by child & or parent Reason: Covered above	M	 Complaints & Disciplinary procedure/policy Communications procedure 	Club	Review the communication/responsibilities of the procedure/policy as required
Complaints not being dealt with seriously	Н	 Complaints & Disciplinary procedure/policy 	Club	Ongoing review
REPORTING PROCEDU	RES			
Lack of knowledge of organisational and statutory reporting procedures	M	 Reporting procedures/policy Coach education policy Code of Conduct /Behaviour 	NGB MP DLP	Make policies and procedures available Include in Safeguarding Training (L1) Include in Coach Education Training





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No Mandated Person	M	■ Reporting	NGB	Publicise identity of Mandated Person
appointed		procedures/policy		Train Mandated Person in their role
No DLP Appointed	L	Reporting	NGB	Train all DLPs
		procedures/policy	Club	Publicise identity of DLPs
Concerns of abuse or	Н	Reporting	MP	Include in Safeguarding Training (L1)
harm not reported		procedures/policy	DLP	Publicise names of CCOs, DLPs,
		 Child Safeguarding 		MP(s)
		Training – Level 1		Publicise internal and external reporting
				procedures
Not clear who YP (Young	M	 Post the names of CCOs, 	CCO	Communicate in Club
Person) should talk to or		DLPs and MP	DLP	Include in Safeguarding Training (L1)
report to				
FACILITIES				
Unauthorised access to	Н	Supervision policy	NGB	Clarify responsibilities before session
designated children's play		 Coach education 	Club	starts
& practice areas and to				
changing rooms, showers,				
toilets etc.				
Unauthorised exit from	Н	Supervision policy	Club	Clarify responsibilities before session
children's areas		 Coach education 		starts
Photography, filming or	Н	 Photography policy and 	Club	Enforce policy in private changing and
recording in prohibited		use of devices in private		wet areas
areas		zones		
Missing or found child on	Н	Missing or found child	Club	Refer to policy and inform Gardai
site		policy		





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Children sharing facilities with adults e.g. dressing room, showers etc.	Н	 Safeguarding policy 	Club	Plan with facilities management to create a suitable child centred environment in shared facilities
RECRUITMENT				
Recruitment of inappropriate people	Н	Recruitment policy	NGB Club CCO Appropriate personnel	Ongoing review
Lack of clarity on roles	M	Recruitment policy	Club	Check job description Put supervision in place
Unqualified or untrained people in role	M	Recruitment policy	Club	Check qualification Ongoing review
COMMUNICATIONS AN	D SOCIAL MEDIA			
Lack of awareness of 'risk of harm' with members and visitors	Н	Child Safeguarding StatementTraining policy	National Club DLP CCO	Communicate Child Safeguarding Statement
No communication of Child Safeguarding Statement or Code of Behaviour to members or visitors	M	 Child Safeguarding Statement – display Code of Behaviour - distribute 	Club Executive County Committee DLP Children's Officer	Communicate Child Safeguarding Statement Distribute Code or Sections as appropriate
Unauthorised photography & recording of activities	Н	 Photography and Use of Images policy 	Club	Ongoing review
Inappropriate use of social media and	Н	Communications policyCode of conduct	Club	Ongoing review





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communications by under 18's				
GENERAL RISK OF HAR	RM			
Harm not being recognised	Н	Safeguarding policyChild Safeguarding Training	Club	Ongoing review
Harm caused by - child to child - coach to child - volunteer to child - member to child - visitor to child	Н	Safeguarding policyChild Safeguarding Training	Club	Ongoing review
General behavioural issues	Н	Code of Conduct	Club	Take disciplinary action where necessary Sign code of conduct

Explanation of terms used:

- **Potential risk of harm to children** these are identified risks of harm to children whilst accessing activities in the Club/Region/Province/NGB.
- Likelihood of harm happening the likelihood of the risk occurring in the club/region/NGB measured by you as Low/Medium or High.
- Required Policy, Guidance and Procedure document indication of the policy required to alleviate the risk.
- **Responsibility** provider should indicate where the responsibility for alleviating the risk lies.
- Further action... indicates further action that might be necessary to alleviate any risk ongoing.





This Risk Assessment document has been discussed and completed by Moycarkey Coolcroo A.C. on 20 /01 /2021

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