



# TREC SOUTHWEST

## Children, Young People and Adults at Risk

### Safeguarding Policy

### To be read in conjunction with TREC GB Safeguarding Policy

#### 1. Definitions

**Designated Safeguarding Lead** – The TREC GB representative with overall responsibility for safeguarding and the first point of contact for Club Designated Safeguarding Officers

**Designated Safeguarding Officer** – Club representative in attendance at an event who will provide initial advice and guidance on safeguarding issues.

#### 2. Children, Young People and Adults at Risk Safeguarding Policy

TREC Southwest acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and adults at risk and is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice.

TREC Southwest fully adopts the TREC GB Safeguarding Policy, the full policy can be downloaded from the TREC GB website [www.trecgb.com](http://www.trecgb.com).

All individuals involved with TREC Southwest no matter what role they participate in, must adhere to the TREC GB Safeguarding Code of Conduct.

The TREC GB policy recognises that the welfare and interests of children, young people and adults at risk are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, ability or disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation and socio-economic background, all children, young people and adults at risk

- have a positive and enjoyable experience of the sport of TREC at events organised by TREC Southwest
- are protected from abuse whilst participating in the sport of TREC at events organised by TREC Southwest

TREC Southwest accepts the responsibility of taking reasonable and appropriate steps to ensure their welfare.

#### 2.1 Aims

As part of our safeguarding policy TREC Southwest will ensure that:

- All reasonable and practical steps are taken to protect children, young people and adults at risk from harm, discrimination, or degrading treatment, and respect their rights, wishes and feelings.
- High standards of behaviour and practice are maintained.
- All concerns and allegations of abuse or poor practice are taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.
- Confidential, detailed, and accurate records of all safeguarding concerns are securely sent to TREC GB.
- All employees, members and volunteers are informed about their responsibilities and provided with guidance and/or training in good practice and safeguarding procedures.

## **2.2 Designated Safeguarding Officer**

TREC Southwest will nominate, a “Designated Safeguarding Officer” (DSO) who will be present and available to contact on the day for each event that they organise to deal with safeguarding children, young people, and adults at risk issues. The DSO is responsible for:

- a) Acting as the initial source of advice and support for other members/volunteers on safeguarding issues.
- b) Being familiar with the TREC GB and other relevant Government Child Protection procedures and Protection of Vulnerable Adults procedures.
- c) To act as the first point of contact with the TREC GB Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL).
- d) Ensuring that the process of complying with this policy is monitored by reporting regularly to the TREC GB DSL.
- e) Implementing TREC GB’s reporting and recording procedures.
- f) Ensuring appropriate confidentiality is maintained and information is only shared on a need-to-know basis.
- g) Attending any relevant training for Designated Safeguarding Officers.

## **2.3 Monitoring**

The policy will be reviewed every three years, or in the following circumstances:

- Changes in legislation and/or government guidance.
- As required by TREC GB.

## **2.4 Communication**

TREC Southwest will make available its Safeguarding Policy and Procedures to all members, volunteers, and other concerned individuals and it will appear in full on the TREC Southwest website [trecsouthwest.co.uk](http://trecsouthwest.co.uk)

TREC Southwest will make available, the name and contact number of the Designated Safeguarding Officer for each event.

## **2.5 Training**

TREC Southwest Designated Safeguarding Officers will attend TREC GB approved Safeguarding training as a minimum.

## **2.6 Disclosure and Barring (DBS)**

Some events may include age restricted activities, therefore adults in attendance may be required to undergo DBS and/or police checks under the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006. The required level of checking (if any) will broadly reflect the degree and frequency of unsupervised access given to other people's children, young persons or adults at risk.

Where a DBS certificate is required, members and volunteers acting on behalf of TREC Southwest must hold a current certificate through the Disclosure and Barring Service, Disclosure Scotland or Access NI as appropriate. Certificates must be renewed every three years.

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## Other Useful Contacts

Service	Contact Details	Service
Local Authority Safeguarding Team:	DEVON: 03451151007 SOMERSET: 030012324	Reporting a concern to local Safeguarding team
Local Police:		
Childline:	0800 1111	24 hour free and confidential helpline for children
NSPCC Helpline	0808 800 5000	24 hour free and confidential helpline that provides counselling, information and advice
Child Protection Support Unit (CPSU)	0116 234 7278	<a href="http://www.thecpsu.org.uk">www.thecpsu.org.uk</a>
The Samaritans	08457 90 90 90	<a href="http://www.Samaritans.org.uk">www.Samaritans.org.uk</a>
Victim Support	0845 3030 900	
Children First – Scotland	0131 446 2300	<a href="http://www.children1st.org.uk">www.children1st.org.uk</a>
Kidscape	<a href="http://www.kidscape.org.uk">www.kidscape.org.uk</a>	Advice about bullying and cyber bullying
Young Minds Parents' line	0808 802 5544	Advice and help with any mental health issues relating to young people
Family Lives	0808 800 2222	For parents who need help or someone to talk to
NHS Direct	111	
Barnardos and Sexual Assault Referral Centres (SARCs)	Full list available at <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/other-services/Rape%20and%20sexual%20assault%20referral%20centres/LocationSearch/364">https://www.nhs.uk/service-search/other-services/Rape%20and%20sexual%20assault%20referral%20centres/LocationSearch/364</a>	Offer support and counselling to victims of sexual abuse
Rape Crisis England and Wales	0808 802 9999 12-2.30pm, 7-9.30pm	<a href="http://www.rapecrisis.org.uk/">www.rapecrisis.org.uk/</a>
Child Exploitation Online Protection Centre (CEOP)	<a href="http://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/">www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/</a>	Advice, guidance, counselling, support and referrals for bullying or inappropriate behaviour on-line

