



Sexual Abuse in Football (sport) Policy

Due to the recent investigation into allegations of sexual abuse in football In2sport have created a new policy to explain what procedures we have in place to endeavour to safeguard all children's welfare in our care.

In2sport have organised an in-house safeguarding meeting with all staff on Tuesday 20th December 2016. This reasons for this meeting are to:

- 1) Ensure all coaches are familiar with child protection guidelines within the FA's policy
- 2) Make sure coaches inform all children and parents that our new policy and procedures will be available on our website
- 3) To take all allegations of abuse seriously and the process to take if a child discloses.
- 4) Ensure all our coaches have up to date DBS's and safeguarding qualifications

There are several articles parents can read to gain more of a background on inappropriate behaviour, sexual abuse and what is currently in place to protect children. One good article can be found using the following link: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-38117128>

The NSPCC has set up a helpline for people affected by sexual abuse at football clubs, supported by the FA. It is available 24 hours a day on **0800 023 2642**.

Further information on our Child Protection Officer, recognising child abuse, what to do if a child discloses, dealing with allegations and staff training can be found on our main safeguarding policy which can be found on our website: <http://www.in-2-sport.co.uk/safeguardingpolicies.html>