

IMPORTANT INFORMATION for All our Club Coaching Officers and Mentors, RE: **SAFEGUAR DING**

Please see important information in relation to Safeguarding training.

Meath GAA Safeguarding courses shall be advertised and notified in the coming days and weeks.

* Notwithstanding the **mandatory requirement on participants to attend the Gaelic Games Safeguarding 1 workshop**

1. It is the **responsibility of the individual and club** to ensure that anyone working with, or who has interaction with, or who is involved in the **planning/administration of activities or events with children and young people in our Associations, holds a valid Gaelic Games Safeguarding 1 certificate.**

2. If a member of any Gaelic Games Associations presents a certificate of attendance from Sport Ireland such as attendance at an LSP or other Sports NGB's safeguarding training or a Sport Northern Ireland Safeguarding 1 workshop our member will be **obliged to complete the Gaelic Games Online Safeguarding Refresher prior to commencing their role with the relevant Gaelic Games Association**

. The purpose of this is to ensure that those who work with children and young people receive relevant information on our own Gaelic Games safeguarding policies or practices, or our reporting procedures or our Code structures and on the role of Gaelic Games Children's Officers and DLPs in our three Associations.

3. **The Gaelic Games Safeguarding Training 1, 2 and 3 must be renewed within a three year period and the policy clearly outlines who is required to attend each of the Safeguarding workshops**

If participants attended the Child Protection in Sport Awareness (Safeguarding 1) workshop for example in 2015, then they are now required to attend a face to face Safeguarding 1 workshop again

. If participants attended the **Child Protection in Sport Awareness (Safeguarding 1) workshop for example in 2016, they will be required to complete the Online Safeguarding 1 Refresher programme**

Further information will follow in due course regarding the Online Safeguarding 1 Refresher programme which will be live on the day of Special Congress on the 19th of October 2019.

Please See the below link to the for further information on the "Gaelic Games Safeguarding Training Policy

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[GAELIC GAMES TRAINING POLICY document](#)