



Northampton Canoe & Kayak Club

Nene White Water Centre
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Northampton Canoe and Kayak Club Child and Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy

We are fully committed to safeguarding the well being of our members. All members should show respect and understanding for the rights, safety and welfare of others, and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the club.

We believe that taking part in Paddlesport should be a positive and enjoyable part of children's/vulnerable adults lives and to achieve this have the following aims:

- Club Coaches and Volunteers should be aware of and follow our 'Coaches & Officials' and 'Volunteers' Codes of Conduct.
- All club coaches, helpers and officials working with young people should read and adhere to the British Canoeing child and vulnerable adults policy. The club will follow the guidance of the policy in the event of any concerns or allegations.
- The club will ensure that Coaches or Volunteers working with young people and vulnerable adults undertake a screening procedure, namely a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check where deemed appropriate or necessary.
- All club members are made aware of the Club Codes of Conduct. These will be made available on the Club's Website.
- The club will obtain written medical details of child/vulnerable adult paddlers which will be made known to coaches where deemed appropriate and/or necessary.
- The club will use BC qualified Coaches and Volunteers for Paddlesport activities involving Child and vulnerable adults. Unqualified coaches may be allowed to work alongside a qualified coach. The club will encourage and support Coaches and Volunteer helpers to gain appropriate qualifications.
- The club will identify a 'Child Protection and Welfare Officer' whose role it is to deal with any issues concerning child protection and vulnerable adults and notify this person to all members. Anyone with concerns in respect to children or vulnerable adults should then contact that person. If that person is unavailable they can contact the BC Child Protection Officer on Tel: 0115 8968842.
- The club will adopt and regularly review a Health and Safety Policy.
- The club will review this policy annually.

Signed J McCarthy

Date 1/3/2017

POSITION IN CLUB Vice-Chair

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