

# SAFEGUARDING DECLARATION GRASSROOTS

## Safeguarding Declaration

- ✓ We understand and accept our responsibility to provide a safe, enjoyable football experience for everyone involved in our event(s)
- ✓ Our Competition Officials, including those listed in the Competition Portal, are aware of and accept their safeguarding responsibilities.
- ✓ We confirm that we have read and understood Affiliated Football's Safeguarding Policies, Procedures and Safeguarding Regulations

## Safeguarding Requirements

### As a sanctioned competition provider, we:

- ✓ have a Safeguarding Policy that has been (or will be) shared with participating teams
- ✓ have a suitably recruited and trained Designated Safeguarding Lead, and will proactively share and promote their contact details
- ✓ commit to our Competition Officials being named on FA systems, keeping their details accurate and up to date
- ✓ will complete a safeguarding risk assessment for each competition
- ✓ support a player welfare culture
- ✓ promote our behaviours code and the consequences for breaching it
- ✓ will only use FA qualified and registered referees
- ✓ adhere to The FAs Disciplinary process providing information as required
- ✓ will refer safeguarding concerns in line with The FAs Safeguarding Policy and Procedures

### Where we have U18 participants we will also:

- ✓ ensure our Designated Safeguarding Lead is FA DBS checked, if eligible
- ✓ require participating teams to have a minimum of two FA DBS checked and safeguarding trained adults in place
- ✓ ensure U18 referees have a named point of contact
- ✓ ensure those officiating U18s maintain an in-date accepted FA DBS check and all required FA Safeguarding training



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