



Section 3 - Risk Assessment

The **Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club** Risk Assessment document below indicates the areas of potential risk of harm, the likelihood of the risk occurring, and gives the required guidance to alleviate these risks. The list of risks identified and procedures to manage these risks are contained in the following categories:

Risk Identified	Procedure in place to manage risk identified
<p>Club and Coaching Practices</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lack of coaching qualifications. 2. Supervision issues. 3. Unauthorised photography & recording activities. 4. Behavioural Issues. 5. Lack of gender balance amongst coaches. 6. No guidance for travelling & away trips. 7. Lack of adherence with misc. procedures in Safeguarding policy. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review by club committee 2. Review by club committee 3. Photography & Use of Images policy review 4. Safeguarding 1/complaints to club committee 5. Review by club committee 6. Not relevant currently 7. Review by club committee
<p>Complaints & Discipline</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lack of awareness of a complaints & disciplinary policy. 2. Difficulty in raising an issue by child and/or parent or guardian. 3. Complaints not being dealt with seriously. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complaints & disciplinary procedures put in place by the club committee 2. Complaints & disciplinary procedures put in place by the club committee – contact club office 3. Complaints & disciplinary procedures put in place by the club committee
<p>Reporting Procedures</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lack of knowledge of organisational & statutory reporting procedures 2. No DLP appointed. 3. Concerns of abuse or harm not reported. 4. Not clear who young person should talk to or report to. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Annual review by club committee 2. DLP appointed 3. Review by safeguarding club committee 4. Notify the names of CCO, DLP and refer to Safeguarding Statement



<p>Use of Facilities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Unauthorised access to designated children’s play, practice areas and to changing rooms, showers, toilets etc. 2. Unauthorised exit from children’s areas. 3. Photography, filming or recording in prohibited areas. 4. Missing or found child on site. 5. Children sharing facilities with adults e.g. dressing room, showers etc. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Supervision by club office during training weeks 2. Supervision by club office during training weeks 3. Photography policy and use of devices in private zones. 4. Missing or found child reported to DMYC safeguarding team 5. Supervision by club office during training weeks
<p>Recruitment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recruitment of inappropriate people. 2. Lack of clarity on roles. 3. Unqualified or untrained people in role. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review by club committee 2. Review by club committee 3. Review by club committee
<p>Communications</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lack of awareness of ‘risk of harm’ with members and visitors. 2. No communication of Child Safeguarding Statement of Code of Behaviour to members of visitors. 3. Unauthorised photography and recording of activities. 4. Inappropriate use of social media and communications by under 18’s. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Child Safeguarding Statement 2. Child Safeguarding Statement (display) 3. Photography and use of images policy 4. Review by club committee
<p>General Risk of Harm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Harm not being recognised. 2. Harm caused by: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Child to Child. b. Coach to Child. c. Volunteer to Child. d. Member to Child. e. Visitor to Child. 3. General behavioural issues. 4. Issues of Bullying. 5. Vetting of staff/volunteers. 6. Issues of Online Safety 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Safeguarding Statement / Child Safeguarding Training / Review by club committee 2. Safeguarding Statement / Child Safeguarding Training / Review by club committee 3. Review by club committee 4. Review by club committee 5. Review by club committee 6. Social media policy

The Risk Assessment was undertaken on **1 January 2026**



Section 4 – Procedures

Our Child Safeguarding Statement has been developed in line with requirements under the Children First Act 2015, (*the Children First: National Guidance, and Tusla’s Child Safeguarding: A Guide for Policy, Procedure and Practice*) In addition to our Risk Assessment document described above, there are further procedures that support our intention to safeguard children while they are availing of our activities.

Dun Laoghaire Motor Yacht Club (DMYC) has the following procedures in place as part of our Safeguarding Policies:

- The safeguarding club committee will assess management of allegations of abuse or misconduct by staff or volunteers against a child availing of our activities.
- The club committee will oversee safe recruitment of staff and volunteers to work with children in our activities.
- Access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm.
- Reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to Statutory Authorities.
- Maintaining a list of the mandated persons who have Safeguarding training.

Section 5 – Implementation

We recognise that implementation is an ongoing process. The DMYC is committed to the implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement and the procedures that support our intention to keep children safe from harm while availing of our activities.

Please note the following:

- That all staff and volunteers have been furnished with a copy of this statement.
- This statement is available on request.
- This statement will be displayed on the club website and noticeboard.

This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed on **1 January 2028**

Signed:

Date:

Club Commodore - Derek Gill

For queries on this Child Safeguarding Statement, please contact any of the mandated persons:

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