

Appleby Angling Association Safeguarding Policy Statement

AAA Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk Policy

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The aim of this policy statement is to ensure that club/fishery members follow good practice and procedure with regards to safeguarding and protecting children and adults. It is a template that club members can use to adopt the Angling Trust policies and procedures.

Appleby Angling Association acknowledges its responsibility to appropriately safeguard children and adults and agrees to employ the following safeguarding principles:

- Safeguarding is **everyone's** responsibility
- The welfare and safety of children and adults at risk is of paramount importance
- **Everyone** regardless of their age, culture, disability, sex, gender reassignment, language, race, nationality, religious belief, sexual identity, sexual orientation has the right to protection from abuse and harm
- All concerns, instances of poor practice or allegations will be followed up swiftly, appropriately and taken seriously
- We will strive to create a **'Speak Out'** culture, where everyone is empowered to raise concerns with confidence
- The rights, dignity and views of anglers are always respected but balanced with the need to ensure their safety
- We will strive to create a **culture of collaborative learning** for safeguarding across angling in order to foster positive and safe practice, so everyone can enjoy the sport freely.

Appleby Angling Association agrees with the below statements and will:

Adhere to the Angling Trust Code of Conduct and Disciplinary and Appeals Guidance for Clubs/Fisheries.

Adopt the Angling Trust Safeguarding Policies and Procedures and will make these known amongst members.

Abide by the Angling Trust Health, Safety and Welfare Policy and guidance documents.

Follow the Angling Trust Safer Recruitment Guidelines to ensure all necessary checks are robustly carried out. Including anyone working with children or adults in Regulated Activity undertaking a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check.

Adopt the Angling Trust's safeguarding best practice guidance including volunteers, social media, transport, taking pictures etc.

Ensure any events held on AAA venues will comply with this statement and associated policies. If appropriate a risk assessment/safeguarding plan should be discussed and circulated to those affected.

Ensure everyone understands their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding by appropriate learning opportunities to recognise, identify and respond to safeguarding concerns involving young people and adults confidently and competently.

Ensure appropriate action is taken in the event of an incident or concern and provide support for the individual or individuals involved.

Adhere to Data Protection legislation and guidance to ensure confidential, detailed, and accurate records are maintained and securely stored.

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