



Safeguarding Workshops – Who should attend?

Rule 14, part E of the Health, Safety and Safeguarding Rulebook 2016

All individuals who carry out a role involving Regulated Activity on a regular, frequent or overnight basis must attend an approved safeguarding workshop. The only exception to this rule is at residential camps, where each night a minimum of two overnight supervisors must have attended an approved safeguarding workshop. It is recommended that any other person carrying out regulated activity on an overnight basis at residential camps should also attend an approved safeguarding workshop.

The Pony Club has a network of Safeguarding Trainers who offer the BEF Safeguarding Course, which is also offered by other BEF member bodies. The course is tailored to equestrian activities and recognised by Sport England. It meets the requirements for the UK Coaching Certificate (UKCC). The Pony Club also recognises SportsCoach UK's Safeguarding and Protecting Children course as an approved workshop.

The first approved safeguarding workshop attended should be face to face. This may be followed three years later by an online course. However, as a minimum, individuals should attend a face to face course every six years. Details of the available training courses can be found on The Pony Club website, within the Safeguarding section.

Arrangements for coaches under the age of 18 years old to attend an approved workshop can be made in consultation with the Lead Safeguarding Officer and the Area Safeguarding Trainer concerned.

Any individual who has attended a Safeguarding course other than the BEF or the SportsCoach UK's approved workshops can apply for their prior learning to be taken into consideration by completing an Accredited Prior Learning (APL) form (available from the Pony Club's Safeguarding Secretary) and submitting it to the Lead Safeguarding Officer for consideration. She / he will be informed of the decision and the reasons for making it as soon as is possible and practicable.