



EASTERN GAUTENG AQUATICS
CHILD SAFE GUARDING POLICY

APPENDIX V:

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PRESIDENT
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CHILD SAFEGUARDING POLICY

A Child safeguarding Policy in sport and in sport & development is a set of actions that help to ensure all children participating in sport have a positive experience.

Child safeguarding is about keeping all children safe from harm, abuse, violence, exploitation and neglect. Having effective child safeguarding measures in place means that our organisation or your club is proactively working internally and externally to ensure that children are kept safe.

A key part of child safeguarding is spreading the message about keeping children safe, to challenge community norms and build a community culture of always acting in the best interest of all children.

The Safeguard Policy's aim is to:

1. Help create a safe aquatics environment for Athletes wherever they participate and at whatever level
2. Provide a benchmark to assist Coaches, Team Managers and athletes to make informed decisions
3. Promote good practice and challenge practice that is harmful to Athletes
4. Provide clarity on safeguarding Athletes to all involved in the sport of aquatics

The Safeguards are based on the following principles

1. All Athletes should be encouraged to fulfil their potential and inequalities should be challenged
2. All Athletes have the right to participate, enjoy and develop through aquatics in a safe and inclusive environment, free from all forms of abuse, violence, neglect and exploitation
3. Athletes have the right to have their voices heard and listened to. They need to know who they can turn to when they have a concern about their participation in sport
4. Everyone has a responsibility to support the care and protection of Athletes
5. EGA have a duty of care to our Athletes who take part in aquatics

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6. Athletes have a right to be involved in shaping safeguarding policies and practice
 7. EGA will always act in the best interests of the Athlete
 8. Everyone has the right to be treated with dignity and respect and not be discriminated against based on gender, race, age, ethnicity, ability, sexual orientation, beliefs, religious or political affiliation
 9. The processes and activities for the creation, development and implementation of safeguarding measures should be inclusive