



Northamptonshire County Cricket Club

Reporting Safeguarding Concerns Procedure

Northamptonshire County Cricket Club is committed to ensuring all Children (i.e., all persons under the age of 18) and all Adults at Risk (i.e., a **person who is aged 18 years or over** and at risk of abuse or neglect because of their needs for care and or support) participating in cricket have a safe and positive experience.

Safeguarding is everyones responsibility. If you have any concerns, you should follow the procedure outlined below:

Who do I tell?

If the child or Adult at Risk is, in your opinion, in **immediate danger** you should call the Police on 999 or 101 or the NSPCC 24-hour helpline on 0808 800 5000.

If your concern is not immediate, the first person you should report your suspicion or allegation to is the County Safeguarding Officer (Dave Weston, email - safeguarding@nccc.co.uk Tel – 07780 067692). If for any reason you cannot, or do not wish to report the matter to your County Safeguarding Officer, you should refer to your County Safeguarding Lead (Derek Styman, email - derek.styman@nccc.co.uk). If you cannot, or do not wish to, report the information to either of these, then please contact the ECB Safeguarding Team by email on safeguarding@ecb.co.uk or telephone 020 7432 1200.

What do I need to do?

If possible, obtain as much of the following information as you can.

- Names, addresses and ages of individuals involved
- The nature of the alleged incident/s or circumstances
- The time, date and place of the alleged incident/s
- How they became aware of the nature of the allegation
- Who else witnessed it

Please ensure you do not discuss the reporting of the concern to anyone else unless advised to do so by the person receiving the report.

What will happen next?

The amount of feedback relating to the issue will vary depending on the nature and result of the investigations. However, where possible, those who have raised concerns will be kept informed of the progress and conclusion of investigations, although they may not be informed of the detail unless they would need this information in order to safeguard children and adults at risk.

Remember, it is better to make a report in good faith and it require no further action, than to not make a report that could have prevented a child or adult at risk suffering harm or abuse.

