

**Child Safeguarding Statement**

Swin Ireland provides aquatic, sporting activities and opportunities for young people through participation in clubs, regional/national events and through our national teams. Swin Ireland and our Clubs is committed to safeguarding children. Our Club operates under the guidance of the Swin Ireland Safeguarding Policies and all staff, both volunteers and employees who work with our young people, need to create a safe environment for young people to participate in their sport.

This Club's written Risk Assessment document indicates the areas of potential risk of harm, the likelihood of the risk occurring, and gives the required policy, guidelines or process documents require to alleviate these risks. The identified risks are listed in the Risk Assessment under the following headings: Club and Coaching Practices; Complaints & Discipline; Reporting Procedures; Use of Facilities; Recruitment; Communications; and General Risk of Harm.

The Club Risk Assessment was undertaken on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2018 (Date)

This Club's Child Safeguarding Statement has been developed in line with requirements under the Children First Act 2015, the Children First National Guidance, and Trust's Child Safeguarding A Guide for Policy, Procedure and Practice.

Our Club operates in line with the Swin Ireland Safeguarding Policies. These are, in addition to our Risk Assessment document described above, further procedures that support our intention to safeguard children while they are availing of our activities:

- Procedures for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct by staff or volunteers against a child availing of our activities
- Procedures for the safe recruitment of staff and volunteers to work with children in our activities
- Procedures for access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm
- Procedure for reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to Statutory Authorities

The Standard Form for Swin Ireland is:

Form 911, contact phone: 0846666777, contact mail: [911@swinireland.ie](mailto:911@swinireland.ie)

We recognise that implementation is an ongoing process. Our Club 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.

This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed every two years from the date of signing.

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For queries on this Child Safeguarding Statement, please contact the Club Children's Officer (details above)