



County of Worcester Archery Association

Child Protection Policy

CWAA (County Of Worcester Archery Association) believes that when dealing with children and young people their safety & welfare will always be of paramount importance. CWAA are committed to providing an environment in which children and young people can learn and participate in archery free from harassment and abuse. All those working with children and young people have a responsibility to safeguard and promote children and young persons' welfare. The Association has adopted the Archery GB Policy for Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults to ensure peace of mind for all involved. A copy of the Policy is available on the Archery GB website, and from committee members.

Parents must be responsible for their own child / young person whilst that child / young person participates in events run under the auspices of the Association. Under no circumstances will the Association or the event organiser ever accept responsibility for the care of children and young persons.

In the event that a CWAA activity triggers the supervision requirements of the DBS Scheme (as defined by ArcheryGB's implementation), the activity will take place under supervision of an 'appropriate person' (as defined by ArcheryGB's implementation). All current GNAS Coaches are suitably qualified to act as the 'appropriate person'. Parents are reminded that physical contact may be necessary as part of coaching.

CWAA has good practice guidance for CWAA members, coaches, volunteers, parents, children and young people and an anti-bullying policy.

All Worcestershire Clubs have a Child Protection Officer (or other designated Club Official) in place with responsibility for child protection and welfare. Children, young people and adults are made aware that they can talk to them about concerns without fear of victimisation and reprisal. After consultation with Archery GB and West Midlands Archery Association the committee of CWAA believes that a child's club CPO is best qualified to deal with concerns and complaints that may arise during a CWAA organised event. The CPO will act in accordance with ArcheryGB/CWAA good practice and guidelines.

As part of the Risk Assessment procedure for all CWAA organised events a register of participants will be maintained, highlighting those qualified in Child Protection procedures: and, if required, the details of the nominated supervisor. The Organiser will also ensure that relevant policies, a list of Club CPOs and a copy of the CWAA guidelines for recording and reporting concerns are available.