Kinvara Hockey Club Coach Education / Safeguarding Training Policy

The purpose of this policy is to outline the training requirements for all volunteers and coaches in Kinvara Hockey Club.

1. Responsibility of Kinvara Hockey Club

In line with the Children's First Act (2015) there are 3 requirements for volunteers involved on a regular basis in underage hockey:

- 1. Vetting Garda vetting is required every 5 years
- 2. Safeguarding course Safeguarding 1 or the Safeguarding 1 App Refresher course must be completed every 3 years.
- 3. Sports Leader Code of Conduct must be read and signed every season.
- The Club Children's Officer will liase with new Coaches/Volunteers and Hockey Ireland to ensure Garda Vetting is completed prior to Coaches/Volunteers becoming involved in KHC.
- Training dates for Safeguarding Training will be circulated to Coaches/Volunteers by Kinvara Hockey Club.
- Kinvara Hockey Club is responsible for ensuring that all Coaches/Volunteers involved in a meaningful way with Under 18 hockey teams must have completed the procedures outlined above.
- A data base will be maintained by Kinvara Hockey Club to include details in relation to Garda Vetting and completion of Safeguarding Training.

2. Responsibility of Coaches/Volunteers

- It is the Coach's/Volunteer's responsibility to liaise with the CCO and Hockey Ireland in a prompt manner to ensure Garda Vetting is completed in a timely manner.
- It is the Coach's/Volunteer's responsibility to ensure they attend Sports Ireland Approved Safe Guarding Level 1 Training.
- It is the Coach's/Volunteer's responsibility to forward details of the relevant courses attended to the CCO (including name, date attended and reference number).

3. Safeguarding Training

All staff and volunteers should receive safeguarding training appropriate for their role. Basic face-to-face awareness courses or workshops are appropriate for those working in sport with regular responsibility for children and young people. Safeguarding 1 training must be attended in person every 3 years.

Safeguarding refresher

- Completing additional online refresher after 3 years can extend the validity of the Safeguarding training for a further 2/3 years. The online refresher is only valid with Sports Ireland Safeguarding 1 in person certificate.
- https://www.sportireland.ie/ethics/safeguarding-1-online-refresher
- The in-person Safeguarding 1 must be repeated after the online refresher expires.

4. Coaching Courses

Kinvara Hockey Club recognises the importance of adequate training for coaches to support the development of players.

- It is recommended that all coaches in the club have minimum level of Fundamentals in Hockey coaching.
- Level 1 Coaching Course is the second step on the Coaching Pathway. Level 1 is designed for people looking to lead group sessions. It is desirable that all lead coaches undertake this training.

5. Typical Roles in Sport and Training Requirements

	Garda Vetting	Safeguarding 1	Safeguarding 2	Safeguarding 3	Min Coaching
Coach	Yes	Yes			Foundation
Committee	Yes	Yes			
Supervisor or Parent Helper	Yes	Yes	AA		
Staff	Yes	Yes			
Mentor	Yes	Yes	-7/		
Team manager	Yes	Yes			Foundation
Chaperone	Yes	Yes			
Mandated Person	Yes	Yes		Yes	
DLP	Yes	Yes	1	Yes	
ССО	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Covid Officers	No				