

Reporting Structure

for Safeguarding Issues for Clubs (ROI/NI)



Special Olympics
Safeguarding

A CONCERN HAS BEEN RAISED AROUND THE SAFETY,
WELFARE OF AN ADULT AT RISK OF ABUSE
OR
AN ALLEGATION OF ABUSE HAS BEEN DISCLOSED

YES

IS THE ADULT AT RISK
OF ABUSE IN IMMEDIATE
DANGER?

NO

CONTACT THE STATUTORY
AUTHORITIES

Contact your Club **Designated Liaison Person (DLP)**. This is your Club Chairperson.
If unavailable, contact **Regional DLP**

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Designated Liaison Person receives a **concern indirectly. Does it meet the threshold for concern?**

YES

NO

Republic of Ireland

1. Call Gardaí, or
2. Contact regional Safeguarding and Protection Teams (details above):

<https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/list/4/olderpeople/elderabuse/protect-yourself/safeguarprotectteams.html>

Northern Ireland

1. Call the PSNI, or
2. Contact your local Health and Social Care Trust:

Northern HSCT: 0044 03001234333

South Eastern HSCT: 0044 03001000300

Southern HSCT: 0044 08007837745

Belfast HSCT: 0044 2890 507000

Western HSCT: 0044 2871 314090

(Out of Hours: 0044 2895 04999)

Implement your complaints and disciplinary procedures.
AND/OR
If advice is needed contact the Regional DLP

POOR
PRACTICE

Is it Poor Practice or a Code of Conduct Breach?

OR

Contact the Regional DLP
or
National Children's Officer

SUPPORT

Do you need further advice and support?

NON-COMPLIANCE

Any non-compliance with this policy will be treated in accordance with legislative / regulatory requirements, the relevant contract and where appropriate, the Special Olympics Ireland Disciplinary Policy.

