

# ADRIANO'S SOCCER SCHOOLS

## SAFEGUARDING POLICY STATEMENT

JUNE 2021

### THE PURPOSE & SCOPE OF THIS POLICY STATEMENT

Adriano's Soccer Schools works with children and families as part of its activities. These include:

- Sports coaching in primary schools.
- Sports coaching at after-school clubs.
- Running football activity and holiday clubs for children aged 5 years old and above.
- Private football coaching to primary and secondary age children.
- Working with children in secondary school to offer them work placement experience.

The purpose of this policy statement is to:

- to protect children and young people who receive services from Adriano's Soccer Schools from harm. This includes the children of adults who use our services.
- to provide staff and volunteers, as well as children and young people and their families, with the overarching principles that guide our approach to child protection.
- This policy statement applies to all staff, volunteers and other adults associated with Adriano's Soccer Schools.

### LEGAL FRAMEWORK

This policy has been drawn up on the basis of legislation, policy and guidance that seeks to protect children in England. Summaries of key legislation and guidance is available on:  
online abuse learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-abuse-and-neglect/online-abuse  
child protection learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-protection-system

### WE BELIEVE THAT:

- Children and young people should never experience abuse of any kind.
- We have a responsibility to promote the welfare of all children and young people, to keep them safe and to practice in a way that protects them.

## **WE RECOGNISE THAT:**

- All children, regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation have an equal right to protection from all types of harm or abuse.
- Some children are additionally vulnerable because of the impact of previous experiences, their level of dependency, communication needs or other issues.
- The welfare of the children and young people taking part in our activities is paramount.
- Working in partnership with children, young people, their parents, carers and other agencies is essential in promoting young people's welfare.

## **WE WILL SEEK TO KEEP CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SAFE BY:**

- Building a safeguarding culture where staff and volunteers, children, young people and their families, treat each other with respect and are comfortable about sharing concerns.
- Adopting child protection and safeguarding best practice through our policies, procedures and code of conduct for staff and volunteers .
- Ensuring that training and activities are suitable for the age, maturity, experience and ability of players and therefore reducing the risk of injury.
- Documenting any injuries that do take place and ensuring correct first aid is given.
- Following Health & Safety guidelines, in general and venue specific.
- Responding swiftly and appropriately to any allegations against staff or volunteers.
- Providing effective management for staff and volunteers through supervision, support, training and quality assurance measures so that all staff and volunteers know about and follow our policies, procedures and behaviour codes confidently and competently.
- Recruiting and selecting staff and volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made.
- Recording, storing and using information professionally and securely, in line with data protection legislation and guidance [more information about this is available from the Information Commissioner's Office: [ico.org.uk/fororganisations](http://ico.org.uk/fororganisations)]
- Sharing information about safeguarding and good practice with children and their families via leaflets, posters, group discussions and one-to-one discussions.
- Making sure that children, young people and their families know where to go for help if they have a concern.
- Using our safeguarding and child protection procedures to share concerns and relevant information with agencies who need to know, and involving children, young people, parents, families and carers appropriately.
- Creating and maintaining an anti-bullying environment and ensuring that we have a policy and procedure to help us deal effectively with any bullying that does arise.
- Ensuring that we have effective complaints and whistleblowing measures in place.



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We are committed to reviewing our policy and good practice annually.

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Signed:



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## RELATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

- Safeguarding Policy
- Code of Conduct for Staff and Volunteers
- Data Protection Policy
- Privacy Policy

