



## Child Protection Policy Statement

The Professional Anglers Association believes that it is always unacceptable for a child or young person to experience abuse of any kind and recognises its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all children and young people, by a commitment to practice which protects them.

### We recognise that:

- the welfare of the child/young person is paramount.
- all children, regardless of age, disability, gender, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity, have the right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse.
- working in partnership with children, young people, their parents, carers and their agencies is essential in promoting young people's welfare.

### The purpose of the policy:

- To provide protection for the children and young people who receive The Professional Anglers Association and its members services, including the children of adult members or users.
- To provide directors, staff and volunteers with guidance on procedures they should adopt in the event that they suspect a child or young person may be experiencing, or be at risk of harm.

This policy applies to all staff, directors, paid staff, volunteers and sessional workers, agency staff, students, members or anyone working on behalf of, or who is a member of The Professional Anglers Association.

### We will seek to safeguard children and young people by:

- valuing them, listening to and respecting them.
- adopting child protection guidelines through procedures and a code of conduct for members, staff and volunteers.
- recruiting members, staff and volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made
- sharing information about child protection and good practice with children, parents, members, staff and volunteers
- sharing information about concerns with agencies who need to know, and involving parents and children appropriately
- providing effective management for staff, directors, members and volunteers through supervision, support and training.



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## **We will seek to keep children and young people safe by:**

- ❖ valuing them, listening to and respecting them;
- ❖ adopting child protection practices through procedures and a code of conduct for staff, directors, members and volunteers;
- ❖ developing and implementing an effective e-safety policy and related procedures;
- ❖ providing effective management for staff, directors, members and volunteers through supervision, support and training;
- ❖ recruiting staff, members and volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made; sharing information about child protection and good practice with children, parents, staff and volunteers;
- ❖ sharing concerns with agencies who need to know, and involving parents and children appropriately.

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

This policy was last reviewed on 31 August 2017