

ISAI Child Safeguarding Statement 2024

Ice Skating Association of Ireland (ISAI) provides sporting activities and opportunities for young people through participation in ISAI events and through our national teams.

ISAI is committed to safeguarding children and by working under the guidance of our Safeguarding Policies. All our volunteers and staff, working with our members, throughout the organisation, seek to create a safe environment for young people to participate in our activities.

The ISAI has conducted a Risk Assessment that indicates the areas of potential risk of harm, the likelihood of the risk occurring, and gives the required policy, guidance or process documents required to alleviate these risks. The lists of risks are contained in the following categories: Coaching Practices; Complaints & Discipline; Reporting Procedures; Use of Facilities; Communications; and General Risk of Harm.

The ISAI Risk Assessment was undertaken on 1st September 2023.

Our Child Safeguarding Statement has been developed in line with requirements under the Children First Act 2015, (the Children First: National Guidance, and Tusla's Child Safeguarding: A Guide for Policy, Procedure and Practice.

In addition to our Risk Assessment described above, there are further procedures that support our intention to safeguard children while they are availing of our activities.

- Appointment of Children's Officers at Club and National level who shall be the relevant persons or first point of contact in respect of this statement
- Procedures for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct by staff or volunteers against a child availing of our activities
- Procedure for reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to Statutory Authorities
- Dealing with and reporting allegations of abuse or misconduct by staff or volunteers against a child availing of our activities
- Safe recruitment of staff and volunteers to work with children in our activities
- Access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm

The relevant Person for ISAI is Deirdre Costello contact 0858671742 email: childofficer@isai.ie

Our NGB is committed to the implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement and the procedures that support our intention to keep children safe from harm while availing of our activities. This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed by 31st September 2024.

Signed:

ISAI CEO Karen O'Sullivan

Date: 04/04/2024

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For queries on this Child Safeguarding Statement, please contact info@isai.ie