

SAINSBURY'S 2015 SCHOOL GAMES

ROLE DESCRIPTION: SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

OVERALL ROLE:

To liaise with the Safeguarding Coordinator and the Team Managers (as required) prior to and during the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games to ensure the welfare of athletes throughout the event. To have read, be familiar with the content and procedures and role model the implementation of the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games Safeguarding Plan.

To support all participating athletes, young officials and young volunteers at the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games to achieve their event aims.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

PRE-GAMES

- Liaising with the Safeguarding Coordinator and the Team Managers (as required) prior to the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games to ensure understanding and expectations of the Safeguarding Officer role
- Contributing to the development of the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games Safeguarding Plan
- Attend safeguarding team meetings with colleagues from the other sports
- Attend the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games Orientation on Friday 26th June 2015
- Providing information and advice to colleagues regarding safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people at events
- Where necessary raising awareness, within the sport, of the issues around the safeguarding and protection of children and young people
- Arriving at the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games prior to the arrival of the competitors as agreed with the NGB Single Point of Contact and the Safeguarding Co-ordinator.
- Promotion of the safeguarding roles to athletes, Team Managers and Team Staff
- Reading and understanding of the Games Services Manual and the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games Safeguarding Plan
- To have attended a *sports coach UK Safeguarding and Protecting Children* workshop (or equivalent) within the last 3 years

GAMES TIME:

- Attending safeguarding meetings as necessary
- In conjunction with the Safeguarding Co-ordinator, liaising with the Single Point of Contact, Chef de Mission, Team Managers, Competition Manager, officiating team, Volunteer Team Leader and Safeguarding Manager to provide safeguarding advice and guidance on a daily basis
- Dealing with safeguarding issues or concerns that may arise in own sport and/or other sports as required in line with the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games Safeguarding Plan

- Reporting relevant issues and concerns from the sport to the Triage Panel/ Safeguarding Panel /the Safeguarding Manager to support the shared safeguarding knowledge of the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games

POST-GAMES:

- Contributing to the production of the annual School Games Safeguarding Report
- Attending a safeguarding post games review meeting

Person Specification

- Have experience of safeguarding and child protection work within a sports setting, ideally a teacher, social care worker, police officer or hold a similar professional qualification
- Have attended the sports coach UK *Safeguarding and Protecting Children* Workshop (or equivalent eg RFU Play It Safe), within the last three years
- Have an understanding of the issues affecting children and young people and the sensitive way in which these issues must be managed
- Understand the implications of protecting children and young people at the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games
- Able to communicate with children and young people
- Understanding and appreciation of the need to respect confidentiality
- In line with the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games Safeguarding Plan pass on all concerns that may arise
- Able to follow procedures and work closely with the Safeguarding Coordinator and the safeguarding team at the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games
- Appropriately challenge those who do not comply with the Sainsbury's 2015 School Games Safeguarding Plan
- Attend the necessary training and undergo a criminal record check

This is not a definitive role description/person specification, more a guideline of the potential within the role. It may be amended from time to time following consultation.

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