



# Commercial Rowing Club

## Child Safeguarding Statement

Commercial Rowing Club provides rowing opportunities for young people through participation in supervised coaching sessions both on and off the water.

Our Club is committed to safeguarding young people and by working under the guidance of Rowing Ireland Safeguarding Policies. Club administrators, Coaches, volunteers and all working with our young people, throughout the Club, seek to create a safe environment for young people to grow and develop.

We are committed to good practice which protects children and vulnerable persons from harm. Club volunteers accept and recognise their responsibility to provide an environment which promotes the safety of the child at all times.

To achieve this, we are committed to:

- Developing an awareness of the issues which may lead to children and vulnerable persons being harmed.
- Adopting child/vulnerable person centered and democratic coaching styles.
- Adopting Safeguarding guidelines through codes of conduct for members and all volunteers at Commercial Rowing Club.
- Ensuring all coaches are 'Garda Vetted' in line with Rowing Ireland Policy.
- Ensuring complaints, grievance and disciplinary issues are dealt with appropriately.
- Sharing information about concerns with children, vulnerable persons, parents and others who need to know.
- Providing information as required to the disciplinary committee and club committee.
- Ensuring good and safe working/training/sporting practices.
- Providing regular safeguarding training for all coaches and committee members.
- Reviewing Safeguarding policies annually or as required.
- Having policies relating specifically to bullying, away trips, social media and use of photography.

This policy is based on a clear and consistent set of principles designed with the common aim of promoting the welfare of children.

Children have the right to be safe. All coaches should ensure that this fundamental principle takes precedence over all other considerations.

This policy applies to all those involved in Commercial Rowing Club, coaches, officials, members, volunteer drivers, parents and young people.



### Child Protection & Safeguarding Officers

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