**ENGLAND LACROSSE EDUCATION AND TRAINING GUIDANCE**

**It is essential that all people who work with young adults and children in lacrosse receive training that is appropriate to their role.**

Having suitably trained people within your club/organisation provides a better experience for young adults and children, on and off the pitch and it also protects coaches, umpires and volunteers.

Lacrosse relies on people with the right skills and knowledge to inspire, encourage and nurture young adults and children to play/participate to their maximum potential, in a fun and enjoyable environment.

Recruiting the people into the role is an essential part of the process, ensuring that appropriate checks are completed. Once those people are in their role it’s important to assess their training needs.

**ROLES WITHIN A CLUB (OTHER THAN A COACH)**

The matrix below demonstrates the safeguarding training that is recommended for roles within a club/association;

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| **ROLE** | **EL ONLINE SAFEGUARDIING COURSE** | **UK COACHING SAFEGUARDING & PROTECTING CHILDREN WORKSHOP** | **EL SAFEGUARDING AND WELFARE WORKSHOP** |
| WELFARE OFFICER | Optional – but encouraged | Essential\* | Essential |
| DISCLOSURE &  BARRING SERVICE  (DBS) VERIFIER | Essential | Optional |  |
| DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS | Essential | Optional | Optional |
| CHAIR | Essential | Optional |  |
| VOLUNTEER | Essential | Optional |  |
| UMPIRE/REFEREE | Essential | Optional |  |
| TEAM CAPTAINS | Essential | Optional |  |

\*NOTE if you have performed safeguarding training with a statutory agency (School, NHS, Police etc) within the last 3 years, you do not have to attend the Safeguarding and Protecting Children workshop before the Time to Listen.

**COACHES (PREREQUISITES FOR COACHING QUALIFICATIONS/WORKSHOPS)**

The following matrix shows which level of training is required for each coaching qualification or workshop (to be undertaken in order to complete the course)

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|  | **DEVELOPMENT ACCESSED** | **EL ONLINE SAFEGUARDING COURSE** | **UK COACHING**  **SAFEGUARDING & PROTECTING CHILDREN WORKSHP** | **OTHER COURSES ACCEPTED** |
| **LEAD COACH** | Coaching Field  Talent Coaching  Previous England  Lacrosse L2 or L3 | Optional  Optional  Optional | Essential  Essential  Essential | The FA  Safeguarding Children Workshop  RFU’s Play It Safe Course |
| **COACH (E.G. PARENT HELPER ASSISTANT COACH** | Fundamentals of  Coaching  Coaching Field  Previous England  Lacrosse L1 or L2  Sports Coach UK  Inclusion Workshops  None at present | Essential  Essential  Essential  Essential | Optional  Optional  Optional  Optional | The FA  Safeguarding Children Workshop  RFU’s Play It Safe Course |

If you have previously attended the UK Coaching – Safeguarding & Protecting Children in Sport (SPC 1) 3-hour workshop within the last 3 years, coaches are able to renew their certificate by completing ***Renewal: Safeguarding & Protecting Children in Sport on-line workshop*** (link available below)

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

**England Lacrosse On-Line Safeguarding and Protecting Young People in Lacrosse Course – Basic Awareness**

**Essential for – DBS Co-ordinators and Verifiers, Development Officers, Chairmen, Umpires, Referees, Parent Helpers, Team Captains, Nominated Player of an adult team with U18’s, Coaches (if they have no current qualifications, hold the EL L1 or L2 qualification)**

**You can find the on-line course by:**

* **Going to the England Lacrosse Website (**[**www.englandlacrosse.co.uk**](http://www.englandlacrosse.co.uk)**)**
* **Go to the ‘shop’ page and select Safeguarding & Protecting Young People**

**This new course features, interactive tasks ensuring participants can:**

* + Describe what safeguarding is and why it is important
  + Define different categories of abuse and how to recognise them
  + Create a safe and enjoyable environment for young people
  + Respond to and report concerns

**UK COACHING’S SAFEGUARDING AND PRECTING CHILDREN WORKSHOP**

**Essential For – Welfare Officers** *(if they have not received training within the last 3 years from a statutory agency,* **Coaches** *(if they are working on their Coaching Field or Talent Courses or have previously held EL L2 or L3 qualifications)*

* Sport specific safeguarding training
* 3 hour workshop
* Interactive workshop, basic awareness, reporting procedures, scenario based discussions

To find an upcoming course near you, click the link below

<http://www.sportscoachuk.org/site-tools/workshops/about-our-workshops/safeguarding-and-protecting-children>

**SPC ONLINE RENEWAL**

The UK Coaching Online Renewal is a refresher course available to those required to renew their safeguarding training and have **already attended** the ‘Safeguarding and Protecting Children workshop’ within 3 years, There is a choice of 3 courses, all of which are valid and have a specific topic attached (Deaf and Disabled Children, Positive Parents and Digital Kids).

Fore more information including how to access the course, click the link below

<https://www.ukcoaching.org/courses/search?format=online&distance=25&order=relevant>

**EL SAFEGUARDING & WELFARE WORKSHOP**

**Essential for – Welfare Officers**

A three hour interactive lacrosse specific that builds on basic awareness and starts looking at what it means to create a safe, young people focused environment. This workshop is aimed at and designed for Welfare Officers

* Opportunity to meet other Welfare Officers in lacrosse share experience/best practice
* Discuss lacrosse and challenges in a supportive environment
* Find details about where to get specific advice and guidance