

Responding To Adult Safeguarding Concerns Procedure

The Role of the Parkour UK Safeguarding Team

On receipt of a concern about an adult from any source, the Parkour UK Safeguarding Team will take the following action:

1. Consult and Decide.

The Parkour UK Safeguarding Team will consult with the Club Welfare Officer and Sport Resolutions for Initial Advice and decide what initial actions need to be taken and by whom.

2. Contact the Police (if a suspected crime has taken place).

The Police will be contacted if:

- A crime has been committed.
- A crime has been committed against someone without the mental capacity to contact the Police themselves.
- The adult has asked them to make a report to the Police on their behalf because they are unable to do so themselves.

3. Refer to a Local Authority Safeguarding Adults Team and/or Sport Resolutions.

If it is believed they may be an adult at risk and:

- The adult appears not to have the mental capacity to make decisions about their own safety and well-being.
- The risk is from a person employed or volunteering to work with adults with care and support needs (including within the club).
- There may be other 'adults at risk' (e.g. another family member, another club member or other people using a service).
- The adult at risk lives in Wales or Northern Ireland (no consent required),
- The adult at risk lives in England or Scotland and they have asked you to make a report or have given their informed consent to you making it.

If a child is at risk, the team will also make a child safeguarding referral to the Local Authority. This includes all situations where there is domestic abuse within the household where the child lives.

If there is uncertainty on whether to make a referral/report, then advice will be sought from the Local Authority Safeguarding Adults Team without disclosing the identity of the adult or the person who may be causing harm.

4. Use Policy and Procedures to Stop Harm within the Organisation.

If the person who may be causing harm is a person involved in parkour in whatever capacity, the Safeguarding Team will:

- In consultation with Sport Resolutions, decide what policy and procedures to follow (e.g. breach of code of conduct, relevant disciplinary procedures, breach of contract).
- In consultation with Sport Resolutions, agree on what short-term arrangements can be put in place to enable the adult, who may be being harmed, to be able to continue participating in their role or activity.

5. Ongoing Liaison with Statutory Agencies.

If statutory agencies are involved, the Parkour UK Safeguarding Team will ensure the relevant people are assigned to work together with them to coordinate and agree on the next steps. The Safeguarding Lead will decide who attends and contributes to any safeguarding adults' strategy or case meetings that are called by the Local Authority. This may be a club.

6. Ongoing Liaison with the Adult.

The Parkour UK Safeguarding Team will confirm who will maintain contact with the adult to consult with them, keep them informed, and make sure they are receiving the support they need, which may be a club or the Parkour UK Safeguarding Team.

7. When the statutory agencies conclude their investigations or decide to take no further action in relation to a referral, the Parkour UK Safeguarding Team will ensure the matter is investigated at the appropriate level with support from Sport Resolutions and in line with internal disciplinary proceedings.

8. The Parkour UK Safeguarding Team, with support from Sport Resolutions, will coordinate and oversee all case-related decisions and actions supported by the Safeguarding Case Management Group and Sport Resolutions.

9. Appeal Hearings.

Parkour UK will refer the matter to Sport Resolutions for arbitration, mediation and appeal hearings.