

Child Safe Environment Policy

Statement

Microgroms Surf Club SA Inc is committed to the safety and well being of all children and young people who participate at our club. We support the rights of the child and will act without hesitation to ensure a child safe environment is maintained at all times. We also support the rights and well being of our volunteers and encourage their active participation in building and maintaining a secure environment for all participants.

Our Club, as an affiliated member of Surfing South Australia, adheres to their policies and guidelines regarding Child Protection and Child Safe Practices. This information is obtained in the Surfing Australia's Member Protection Policy (available online at <https://www.surfingaustralia.com/sa/> and www.micgroms.com).

As part of our Club's commitment to ensure our Club provides a safe environment for its members, it is a requirement that any Volunteer at the club (including office bearers, general committee members and volunteers who provide assistance at competitions) will hold a current National Police Clearance or letter of clearance from the Department for Communities and Social Inclusion, advising they are suitable to work with children and young people. Volunteers will also be required to sign a personal waiver regarding their suitability to participate as a volunteer in our Club. Criminal history screening information can be requested by members and their parents/guardians at any time.

All volunteers will be provided with information outlining their roles and responsibilities as a person working/volunteering with children and young people.

A Code of Conduct is available to all volunteers, members and parents/guardians. Any volunteer, member or parent/guardian who does not adhere to this Code of Conduct, can (after consultation) be required by the Club to cease as a member/participant.

The Club has a Child Safe Officer and information about how to make contact with them is provided to members and parents/guardians at the commencement of each year. The Child Safe Officer has current training relating to Responding to Abuse and Neglect and is aware of the process and procedures in dealing with complaints relating to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people.

Information regarding our Club's Child Safe Environment Policy, Member Protection Policy, Code of Conduct and grievance procedures (including the contact details of the Club's Child Safe Officer/s) will be made available to all members, parents and guardians at the commencement of each competition season.

Policy implemented 4th May 2015

Management Committee, Micgroms Surf Club SA INC