

Child Protection Policy

(To be used in conjunction with the Safeguarding Policy)

Gateway to Fundamental Movement Academy Limited (FMA) acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice and British Gymnastics requirements.

The policy recognises that the welfare and interests of children are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, ability or disability, gender, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation, socio-economic background ALL children ...

- Have a positive and enjoyable experience of sport at FMA in a safe and child centred environment.
- Are protected from abuse whilst participating in activities with Gateway to FMA Ltd.
- FMA acknowledges that some children, including children and young people with disabilities or those from ethnic minority communities, can be particularly vulnerable to abuse and we accept the responsibility to take reasonable and appropriate steps to ensure their welfare.

Together as part of our safeguarding policy we will:

- Promote and prioritise the safety and well-being of children and young people.
- Ensure everyone understands their roles and responsibilities in respect of safeguarding and is provided with appropriate learning opportunities to recognise, identify and respond to signs of abuse, neglect and other safeguarding concerns relating to children and young people. (See Safeguarding Power point in appendix)
- Ensure appropriate action is taken in the event of incidents/concerns of abuse and support provided to the individual(s) who raise or disclose the concern.
- Ensure that confidential, detailed and accurate records of all safeguarding concerns are maintained and securely stored.
- Prevent the employment/deployment of unsuitable individuals.
- Ensure robust safeguarding arrangements and procedures are in operation.

The policy and procedures will be widely promoted and are mandatory for everyone involved in FMA. Failure to comply with the policy and procedures will be addressed without delay and may ultimately result in dismissal/exclusion from the organisation.

Monitoring:

The policy will be reviewed in conjunction with the safeguarding policy every three years, or in the following circumstances

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- Changes in legislation and/or government guidance.
- As required by the Local Safeguarding Children Board, UK Sport and/or Home Country Sports Councils and British Gymnastics.
- As a result of any other significant change or event.

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