

CAMBRIDGESHIRE COUNTY NETBALL ASSOCIATION



Safeguarding – FAQs

What is SPC and TTL training?

SPC is: a generic, 3-hour, direct delivery course run nationwide by Sports Coach UK, which helps to promote best-practice tools needed to recognise and respond appropriately to issues of safeguarding and child protection.

TTL is: a 3-hour, direct delivery course, created by the CPSU (Child Protection in Sport Unit at NSPCC), for, and run by, England Netball. It is netball-oriented, run by our CPSU-trained tutors and explains the role of a CSO, our reporting a concern procedure, and associated EN Safeguarding Policies and laws we are bound by.

From 31 March 2015, all CAPS clubs need to have a TTL-trained CSO when they accredit/reaccredit.

The CSO has already completed SPC training, should she/he now do the online training?

No, there is no need to take the online training if either SPC or TTL have been taken as the online is a basic introductory course. The online training is for new CSOs without any former training, as a prelim for SPC and TTL.

The online training may be completed by CSOs of clubs with only adult members, although this is not mandatory.

Why are we not repeating training – it used to be repeated every 3 years?

England Netball's new training guidance now states that once safeguarding has been learned and the reporting procedures identified, there is no further mandatory training. If there is any change in the law or to EN Policies in the future, this will be communicated to all CSOs and via the quarterly Safeguarding News.

Do clubs that do not have players under the age of 18 need to have a CSO?

Yes, all clubs are required to have a CSO by England Netball Membership Regulations. This decision was taken to contribute towards England Netball's goal of making all clubs inclusive, so that if a young person wishes to join their club they can do so.

England Netball will shortly be drafting a *Safeguarding Adults at Risk in Netball*



Policy. Their work in preparing this policy includes identifying appropriate training.

If a young person does join their club, then the CSO will be required to complete the full training.

Is it OK for CSOs to attend a generic Time to Listen course if one should take place, or a TTL run by another National Governing Body?

Yes, that's fine. Because generic TTL courses cover all sports it will be necessary to take the netball Policy and procedures so the tutor can cover these in the course.

How do I go about getting on to a SPC course?

Visit the [Living Sport](#) or [Sports Coach UK](#) websites for further information.

For additional assistance, you may email [Naomi Zielińska](#), County Safeguarding Officer, or [Janette Bowden](#), Netball Development Officer.

How do CSOs get funded for attending SPC?

Within one month of a Club Safeguarding Officer attending SPC, they should email besafe@englandnetball.co.uk confirming their name, address, and club, to request a claim form. Once the CSO receives their SPC certificate, they should forward this with their claim form to England Netball.

How do I get a club member a DBS check?

Please email [Naomi Zielińska](#), County Safeguarding Officer, or [Janette Bowden](#), Netball Development Officer, to request further information.

A club member or volunteer already has a DBS certificate or a transferrable DBS check with their school/place of work – do they still need to get a check done with England Netball?

Yes. All those in regulated activity need to have a DBS carried out with England Netball. EN are legally bound to take full responsibility for their safeguarding process. EN trains its own documents verifiers and as such is able to confirm the integrity of the verification process of its own DBS checks. EN are also able to ensure the level of the DBS check complies with the correct legal standard.

There is no cost for the check for volunteers, although there is an administration charge of £11.40. Many clubs will reimburse this cost to their volunteers so it is



worth speaking to your Club Volunteer Co-ordinator or another committee member.

Only about 30% of companies accept transferrable DBS checks as it is not possible to check their integrity.

How do I know if another course other than SPC is an acceptable equivalent?

Many of our CSOs are teachers, police officers or already work with children. They will normally have already completed a safeguarding course which may be a suitable alternative to SPC.

Please email [Naomi Zielińska](#), County Safeguarding Officer, or [Janette Bowden](#), Netball Development Officer, to discuss the content of the course you have previously attended.

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