



Child Safeguarding Statement

Portarlinton Golf Club is fully committed to safeguarding the wellbeing of juniors. Every individual in golf should at all times, show respect and understanding for all member's rights, safety and welfare and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of Portarlinton Golf Club and the guidelines contained in the Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children's Sport. Portarlinton Golf Club Safeguarding Policy and Golf's Safeguarding Policy.

Portarlinton Golf Club's first priority is the welfare of juniors as we are committed to providing an environment that will allow participants to perform to the best of their ability, free from neglect, emotional, physical and sexual abuse, bullying and intimidation. All leaders within Portarlinton Golf Club undergo necessary Garda Vetting checks, sign codes of conduct and complete the appropriate safeguarding training as required by legislation and best practice.

Portarlinton Golf Clubs written Risk Assessment document indicates the area of potential risk of harm, the likelihood of the risk occurring and gives the required policy, guidance and procedures required to alleviate these risks. In addition to our risk assessment document described above, there are further procedures that support our intention to safeguard children whilst they are availing of our activities.

Portarlinton Golf Club has the following procedures in place as part of our Safeguarding Policies.

- Procedures for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct by staff or volunteers against a child availing of our activities.
- Procedures for the safe recruitment of staff and volunteers to work with children in our activities.
- Procedures for access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm.
- Procedures for reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to the Statutory Authorities.

For further information in relation to Safeguarding juniors or if you have a concern please contact one our Clubs Junior Golf Welfare Officers below.

If you feel that a junior is in immediate danger contact TUSLA or An Garda Siochana.

The Clubs Designated Junior Welfare Officers is Josephine Lawrance. Josephine's contact details are available at our Administration Office.

This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed by the 31st January 2025.

Signed:  Honorary Secretary, on behalf of Portarlinton Golf Club.