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## Dear Member

I would like to introduce myself and to notify you of the new and updated Policies in relation to Safeguarding and Discipline.

My name is Michelle Draper and I am the newly appointed National Lead Safeguarding Officer for NISA. I have extensive experience in Safeguarding and am a qualified Social Worker, having worked in front line child protection, along with experience in Safeguarding in sport and as a Police Officer.

My fundamental role is to promote NISA's commitment to safeguarding the well-being of the children and young people, vulnerable adults, parents, carers, coaches, staff and volunteers who are involved in the organisation. Recognising that children and young people have rights as individuals and should be valued, listened to and treated with respect. All children and vulnerable young people are at risk of abuse and therefore aiming to achieve excellent standards of safeguarding in all areas.

I will also be responsible for, but not exclusively, the following:

- receiving and recording information from staff, coaches or volunteers who have safeguarding concerns;
- assess the information promptly and carefully, clarifying or obtaining more information about the situation as appropriate; and consider other NISA policies or procedures that may be relevant;
- consult with a statutory agency such as children's social care or the police to test out any doubts or uncertainties as soon as possible;
- make a formal referral to the statutory safeguarding agency or the police without delay, ensuring referral information is confirmed (under confidential cover) in writing within one working day;
- consider possible disciplinary action within NISA;
- advise about any safeguarding child protection training needs;
- provide information and advice on child protection within NISA
- ensure relevant policy and procedures are implemented and followed;
- co-ordinate any action in relation to the safeguarding of children;

To support Safeguarding NISA have produced a 'Safeguarding and protecting young people (SPYP): policy, case management processes and procedures'.

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This document sets out the policy, case management processes and reporting procedures for all staff, coaches or volunteers when engaged in skating activities with children and young people.

A copy of the policy can be found on the NISA Website, via the following link: <a href="http://www.iceskating.org.uk/node/8">http://www.iceskating.org.uk/node/8</a> or by the Policy or Safeguarding links on the NISA website.

NISA have also produced a new discipline policy, which can be found at the same link.

Should you have any safeguarding concerns then please do not hesitate in contacting me using the relevant details headed above.

I look forward to working with all those involved in Ice Skating.

Michelle Draper NISA National Lead Safeguarding Office



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By signing this you agree to abide by the Codes of Ethics and Conduct and all of NISA's policies and procedures. NISA therefore has the right to investigate and take disciplinary action against any alleged or suspected breach of this Code of Ethics and Conduct and Policies and Procedures.

Name:		
Signature:		
NISA Membership No:		
Date:		

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