

SAFEGUARDING



Safeguarding and Welfare in the Junior Premier League

Child welfare is our primary concern.

The Junior Premier League aspires to be the safest environment for our players. We want to ensure that all of our young people across the country, their coaches and parents can report welfare concerns.

Any reports will strictly follow FA safeguarding procedures, and be handled by trained Child Welfare Staff within the JPL.

These staff aren't there to replace club Child Welfare Officers, it is just an extra resource that allows reports to be made through a different avenue if required to ensure that each child is protected and safe.

We will be working with clubs CWOs on any and all cases so there will be a fantastic level of support offered to clubs, parents and players.

If you have any queries on this or to report a concern, please contact the league welfare team on: childwelfare@junior-premier.co.uk

If you have an emergency or cannot email please call Pamela on 07867 653201

Guidance from the governing body for football in England, The Football Association urges the following:

Reporting: if I have a concern, how do I report it?

Firstly, if you are worried about a child, it is vital you report your concerns – no action is not an option. There are five ways to report a concern:

1. To your club or league Designated Safeguarding Officer – please find out from your club who these people are.
2. To your County FA Designated Safeguarding Officer. A list of all County FA contact details is available at [TheFA.com/my-football/more/county-fa](https://www.thefa.com/my-football/more/county-fa)
3. By emailing The FA Safeguarding Team at safeguarding@TheFA.com or by calling and asking for the team on 0800 169 1863.
4. If urgent and you cannot contact your club, league or County Safeguarding Officer, you should call the NSPCC 24 hour helpline on 0808 800 5000.
5. If it is an emergency because a child or children are at immediate risk, then call the Police or Children's Social Care in your area.

