



ACORN KARATE SAFEGUARDING POLICY

The Acorn Karate Safeguarding Policy is a binding provision that is in place to protect each child, young person or vulnerable adult who trains at the club. All regulations are to be followed at all times. This policy has elements taken from the English Karate Federation and we, as a club, defer to their policies at all times.

The full EKF policy and codes of conduct can be found at: <https://www.englishkaratefederation.com/safeguarding>

The main elements of the policy are as follows:

- The welfare of the student is paramount,
- All children, young people or vulnerable adults have the right to be protected from abuse,
- All coaches have the responsibility to report concerns to the appropriate officer,
- All coaches have some form of safeguarding training and know what signs of abuse to look for

Rules that must be followed at all times in order to safeguard all children, young people or vulnerable adults are as follows:

- No one may train at ACORN KARATE CLUB without first registering on the club membership site and receive prior authorisation from the club,
- All children must be accompanied by an appropriate adult,
- No child will be left alone or be allowed to train without the presence of an Acorn Instructor,
- No photographs may be taken without prior consent of the club,
- Children will be matched for size, weight and ability when taking part in partner work,
- Although classes are mixed, distance is to be maintained between adults and children.

Any safeguarding issues will be reported and acted upon immediately. This policy will be reviewed every three years from the date at the bottom of the form.

Confidentiality is to be maintained and all reporting is subject to GDPR. Further information can be found at <https://www.englishkaratefederation.com>

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