

## **Safeguarding & Protecting Children Minimum Standards for the Sporting Club Manx Youth Games**

All Sporting Club Manx Youth Games Sports must meet the following criteria. If sports cannot meet the eight points detailed below, it could affect their subsequent participation in the games.

- All coaches and volunteers who facilitate Sporting Club Manx Youth Games training sessions must complete a “Coach Details” Form and this must be submitted to the Sports Development Unit no later than January 21st 2024.
- In order to comply with data protection, co-ordinators and coaches must NOT send group emails to children or parents. Should coaches or co-ordinators wish to communicate with participants electronically, then they should use the “Blind copy” function/setting when sending emails.
- Sports must have a minimum of two qualified coaches at each training session. In addition, where numbers are excessive, volunteers and assistants would be required. Coaches and volunteers who help at training sessions must have a satisfactory DBS check (from MSR), or provide a valid DBS Certificate from their sport (period of 3 years).
- Where possible, there should be both male and female coaches/volunteers in attendance (or female only for “girl’s only sports”).
- All coaches and volunteers (i.e. a parent who is assisting with registration) who will come into contact with children during the Sporting Club Manx Youth Games and training sessions must have attended a Sports Coach UK Safeguarding and Protecting Children workshop. This workshop is valid for 3 years. Free workshops will be on offer in January 2024.
- A qualified first aider must be present at all Sporting Club Manx Youth Games training sessions.  
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- Where feasible and realistic sports must make every effort to be inclusive and subsequently offer children with disabilities the opportunity to take part in Sporting Club Manx Youth Games training sessions as well as the event itself.

- As part of each sport's junior development plan children who have attended Sporting Club Manx Youth Games training sessions should have the opportunity to continue in the respective sports through leagues and junior competitions following the Sporting Club Manx Youth Games.