



Axe Vale Canoe Club (AVCC)

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Affiliated to British Canoeing and Quality Mark accredited



Safeguarding Policy

Axe Vale Canoe Club is fully committed to safeguarding the well-being of its members. All members should show respect and understanding for the rights, safety and welfare of others, and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the club.

We believe that taking part in Paddlesport should be a positive and enjoyable part of children's/vulnerable adults lives and to achieve this have the following aims:

- Club coaches should follow the British Canoeing Coaches & Officials Code of Conduct
- All club coaches, helpers and officials working with young people should read and adhere to the British Canoeing safeguarding policy. The club will follow the guidance of the policy in the event of any concerns or allegations.
- The club will ensure that anyone working with young people and vulnerable adults undertake a screening procedure, namely a Data Barring Service Disclosure.
- All club members are made aware of the Club Code/s of Conduct
- The club will obtain written medical details of child/vulnerable adult paddlers (on the AVCC Medical Consent Form) which will be made known to coaches where deemed appropriate and/or necessary.
- The club will only use British Canoeing qualified/updated coaches and instructors — unqualified coaches and instructors can only work alongside a qualified coach. The club will encourage and support helpers to gain qualifications and assist coaches to stay up-dated.
- The club will identify a person whose role it is to deal with any issues concerning safeguarding and notify this person to all members. Anyone with concerns in respect to safeguarding should then contact that person. If that person is unavailable they can contact the British Canoeing Child Protection Officer on Tel: 0115 9821100
- The club will review this policy annually.

Signed		on behalf of Axe Vale Canoe Club	
Print Name	Position	Date	
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