

## **Safeguarding Checklist February 2025**

- tower captains and trainers of young people must have a DBS check which should be completed through your Parish or, if the systems aren't in place there yet you can do this yourself to a basic level
- if you do not have young ringers in your band, a DBS is not strictly necessary but some parishes might still demand it
- all ringers must complete the online training module Basic Awareness (formerly C0)
- all tower captains and trainers must complete online safeguarding training modules Basic Awareness and Foundation (formerly C1). The face to face Leadership course will also be required for those who have a more significant impact on the safeguarding culture of their church community e.g. those teaching large numbers of young people. This will be decided at local Parish level. Training is renewable on a three yearly basis
- parents of minors must complete a permission to ring form which is stored securely at the church
- when teaching young people it is advisable to have two responsible and unrelated adults present
- the above also applies to transportation of youngsters
- a register of those present at practice and service ringing must be kept, preferably including an indication of a person responsible for monitoring behaviour in the tower at each meeting
- make sure that no young person can be isolated with a single adult
- it is the parent's responsibility to ensure their child gets to and from ringing safely
- be aware of who the parish safeguarding officer is and display the information and contact details clearly in the tower
- for health and safety purposes, a clear notice displaying correct location should also be on display in case it is necessary to call the emergency services

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