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Dear Parent or Guardian

## What does Child Protection and Safeguarding mean for you

Archery is a sport for people of all ages to take part in and enjoy. To ensure this, Scottish Archery has created a number of policies and guidelines to help achieve this. The most important one for you, as a parent/guardian of a junior member, is the **Child Wellbeing and Protection Policy** and its **associated documents**. These documents set out how the SAA will keep its junior members safe from harm and what to do should a junior make a disclosure of harm to you.

Being a member of the Scottish Junior squad or the Junior Academy or just a club affiliated to Scottish Archery, means that juniors will be working with coaches or other experienced archers to help them achieve their potential in archery. Scottish Archery has taken steps to ensure that those members working with juniors are aware of their responsibilities to keep them safe from harm. Those who are Archery GB licensed coaches also have to comply with a document known as the **Code of Practice for Sports Coaches**. This document applies to all sports coaches not just archery coaches.

## What Scottish Archery will do if your child makes a disclosure

Children who are victims of harm may often make their initial disclosure to a person they trust, this may well be a member of Scottish Archery. Should a disclosure be made, Scottish Archery is duty bound to pass the information to the local Social Work Department, or if there is a significant risk of further immediate harm, the police. We will, where appropriate, make you aware of the disclosure.

If your child makes a disclosure that is about someone out with Scottish Archery you should contact your local Social Work Department. If you don't know their phone number, you can use the Social Work Scotland<sup>1</sup> website and obtain your local number.

If your child makes a disclosure to you about the conduct of a Scottish Archery member, please make Scottish Archery or club Child Protection Officer aware, so that proceedings can start to deal with the matter.

If you have any question, please contact

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<sup>1</sup><https://socialworkscotland.org/contact>