



# SAFEGUARDING UPDATE

## Disclosure (Scotland) Bill

Scottish Archery have attended consultations with Disclosure Scotland on the new Disclosure (Scotland) Bill legislation which will be going through the Scottish Parliament later this year. This will mean, that when the Bill is passed, that there will be changes to the PVG system in Scotland that will impact on volunteers involved with Scottish Archery and Archery clubs. For example, it is very likely that going forward the PVG Scheme will be mandatory.

The full Disclosure (Scotland) Bill is available online on the Scottish Parliament [website](#).

The current PVG Scheme remains in place and PVGs will continue to be processed as normal until any changes come into force, which is not expected to be until the end of 2020.

## PVG

Clubs should ensure that those who are working with children (under 18s) have a PVG done through Scottish Archery (or through their Club facilitated by Scottish Archery); Scottish Archery can support member clubs with the PVGs process.

### Licensed Coaches

All Scottish Archery Licensed Coaches will be PVG'd through Scottish Archery. For Coach Renewals, coaches must be member of the PVG Scheme in Scotland and hold a valid Scheme Record Update which is dated a maximum of 24 months prior to your licence renewal date.

### Club Members Carrying Out Regulated Roles

All other club members who are carrying out regulated roles will be PVG'd through the Secondary Organisation route and Scottish Archery can do this on behalf of the Club.

For Clubs we currently have the undernoted Regulated roles:

- Athlete Personnel Working with Children – this is for those club members who are helping/coaching children but are not licenced coaches.
- Child Protection Officer



Any Club or Coach who requires PVGs or a Scheme Update should contact Jacqui Dunlop who will arrange for the appropriate paperwork to be sent - [child.protection@scottisharchery.org.uk](mailto:child.protection@scottisharchery.org.uk)

It is best practice that all PVG's should be re-done every three years. A scheme update is required for this and forms can be obtained from Jacqui Dunlop - [child.protection@scottisharchery.org.uk](mailto:child.protection@scottisharchery.org.uk)

Currently all PVGs for Volunteers are done free of charge.

## Safeguarding Courses

It is important that those who are in regulated roles undertake Safeguarding training. These courses have recently been updated are now called Child Wellbeing and Protection in Sport.

This course includes an on-line element to it, which is mandatory, ahead of the face-to-face element of the course.

A full list of the courses being run in Scotland are on the sportscotland website:

<https://sportscotland.org.uk/training/?filters=&filters=15437>

If you require any further information on the courses please let us know.

The In Safe Hands Course, which is aimed at Child Protection Officers/Team Managers etc, is also being updated and this will be introduced shortly, and further information will follow in due course.

Please note that these courses should be refreshed every three year.

If you require any further information on any matter relating to the PVG Scheme or Safeguarding please let us know – we are here to support Clubs.

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