



BURY ROUNDERS SAFEGUARDING INITIATIVE



Good Practice, Poor Practice and Abuse

GUIDEANCE

Bury Rounders League
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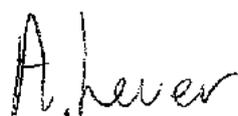
BRSI Foreword

Bury Rounders is a growing sports organisation working towards increasing the participation rates within the sport and is committed to creating greater opportunities for the players, referees, committee and other participants. Sports have had and is a great influence on the way people live and can improve social inclusion. Bury Rounders are committed to instil these values in to game and promoted throughout the League. Most importantly we place the welfare of are teams, players and volunteers a priority. This will ensure a safe and enjoyable environment for all. This Document is here to recognise young people and adult's participating in Bury Rounders deserve to feel safe at all times and have a responsible adult they can contact if they have any concerns about their own safety, or that of others (within or outside Rounders). Bury Rounders is updating the procedures in how we communicate with the Clubs of the League, to ensure all the members are aware of all the policies, laws and legislations and the standards they and we all should be meeting. In the creation of this document it has been noted that it is not the responsibility of those individuals working in Rounders to determine if abuse has taken place, but it is their responsibility to act upon and report any concerns. This document should be used as a guide for how to act within any situations where concerns arise and includes contacts for relevant other organisations where information needs to be passed on.

Good practice, Poor practice and Abuse Foreword

It can be difficult to distinguish poor practice from abuse, whether intentional or accidental. It is not the responsibility of any individual involved in Bury Rounders to make judgements regarding whether or not abuse is taking place, however, all Bury Rounders personnel have the responsibility to recognise and identify poor practice and potential abuse, and act on this if they have concerns.

Arron Lever

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "A. Lever". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Welfare Coordinator

Bury Rounders Management Committee

Good Practice

Bury Rounders expects that that Participants:

- Adopt and endorse the Bury Rounders Codes of Conducts.
- Have read all Policies and Guidance in the Bury Rounders Safeguarding Initiative

Everyone should:

- Aim to make the experience of Rounders fun and enjoyable.
- Promote fairness and playing by the rules.
- Not tolerate the use of prohibited or illegal substances.
- Treat all with equally and preserve their dignity.
- Respect the developmental stage of each athlete and not risk sacrificing their welfare in a desire for team or personal achievement.
- Develop realistic training
- Build relationships based on mutual trust and respect, encouraging adults at risk to take responsibility for their own development and decision-making.
- Always be publicly open when working with people at risk
- Avoid unnecessary physical contact with people. Physical contact (touching) can be appropriate so long as:
 - It is neither intrusive nor disturbing.
 - The athlete's permission has been openly given.
 - It is delivered in an open environment.
 - It is needed to demonstrate during a coaching session.
- Be an excellent role model by maintaining appropriate standards of behaviour.
- Gain the consent and, where appropriate, the consent of relevant carers, in writing, to administer emergency first aid or other medical treatment if the need arises. (if team has a first aider)
- Keep written records of any injury or accident that occurs, together with details of treatments provided.

Poor practice

The following are regarded as poor practice and should be avoided:

- Unnecessarily spending excessive amounts of contact time alone with a singular participant. Engaging in rough, physical or sexually provocative games, including horseplay.
- Allowing or engaging in inappropriate touching of any form.
- Using language that might be regarded as inappropriate
- Making sexually suggestive comments, even in jest.
- Reducing a participant to tears as a form of control.
- Letting allegations go uninvestigated, unrecorded, or not acted upon.