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Pitch and Putt Ireland Child Safeguarding Statement

Pitch and Putt Ireland provides various sporting activities and opportunities for young people through participation in clubs, regional/provincial and National events. Pitch and Putt Ireland is committed to safeguarding children by working under the guidance of the Safeguarding Policies, all staff both volunteers and employed working with young people throughout the organisation, seek to create a safe environment for young people to grow and develop.

1. Our priority is to ensure the welfare and safety of every child and young person who participates in the game is of utmost importance.
2. Our guiding principles and procedures to safeguard children and young people reflect national policy and legislation and we will review our guiding principles and child safeguarding procedures every two years.
3. All children and young people have an equal right to participate in Pitch and Putt that respects them as individuals and encourages them to reach their potential, regardless of their background.
4. We are committed to upholding the rights of every child and young person who participates in Pitch and Putt, including the rights to be kept safe and protected from harm, listened to and heard.
5. Our guiding principles apply to everyone in our organisation.
6. Workers and volunteers must conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of Pitch and Putt Ireland.

Pitch and Putt Ireland's written Risk Assessment document indicates the areas of potential risk of harm, the likelihood of the risk occurring, and gives the required policy, guidance or process documents require to alleviate these risks. The list of risks identified are contained in the following categories: Club and Coaching Practices; Complaints & Discipline; Reporting Procedures; Use of Facilities; Recruitment; Communications and General Risk of Harm.

In addition to our Risk Assessment document described above, there are further procedures that support our intention to safeguard children while they are availing of our activities.

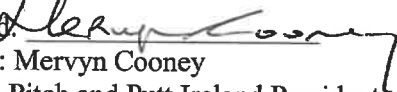
Pitch and Putt Ireland has the following procedures in place as part of our Safeguarding Policies:

- Procedures for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct by staff or volunteers against a child availing of our activities
- Procedures for the safe recruitment of staff and volunteers to work with children in our organisation
- Procedures for access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm
- Procedure for reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to the relevant Statutory Authorities.

The Mandated Person for Pitch and Putt Ireland is **Catherine Keane (Glenville)** and Designated Liaison Person is **Shaun O'Donnell (Coaching and Development Manager – Pitch and Putt Ireland Office)**.

We recognise that implementation is an ongoing process. We are committed to the implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement and the procedures that support our intention to keep children safe from harm while availing of our activities.

This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed by **November 2021**.

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