

Child Safe Policy

[Child-friendly version]

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This is a child-friendly version of the Saints Netball Club Child Safe Policy.

A policy is when a Club makes a plan about what it wants to do, and how it will do it.

This Policy means that Saints Netball Club has promised to make all its netball activities with children welcoming, safe and inclusive.

The Policy is based on 10 National Principles for Child Safe Organisations. All organisations that work with children need to know about these National Principles.

Our promises to you:

- 1) All people working at Saints Netball Club, including its leaders, coaches and team managers know how to keep children safe. It is a number one priority for us. Saints teaches everyone how to use this Policy and we put the Policy up on our website so everyone can see it.
- 2) We will take your participation in our netball activities seriously and give you information about netball in a way that you can understand.
- 3) We will let your families know how our activities are safe for children.
- 4) We will respect the diversity and culture of all children and families that we meet.
- 5) We will check that all people who work with children at Saints are safe to be with children. This means that we will check their background, and we will teach them about child safety.
- 6) If you want to complain about someone at Saints, or anyone else, because they make you feel unsafe or uncomfortable, we will take it seriously and do something about it as quickly as possible.
- 7) If you tell us (your Coach, Team Manager or another person in a Saints shirt) that you, or another child, are in immediate danger of abuse or harm, we will contact the police and other places that can help.

You can also:

- Call 000 to get help from the police, an ambulance or fire brigade.
 - Call Kids Helpline on 1800 551 800, or use their webchat
 - Tell an adult you can trust.
- 8) Everyone who works with Saints has promised to keep children safe. We will make sure they know about this Policy and will teach them what to do if you say you don't feel safe.
 - 9) Every time we start a new netball activity with children, we will think about how to make it safe for children.
 - 10) When Saints people spend time with you, either at training, games or events, we will make sure there are other people around too.

- 11) Saints has obtained permission to take photos of its players during netball activities. If you don't want your photo taken or put up on our Saints pages, please tell us.
- 12) Every year we will look at this Policy again and decide how we can make it better and we'd love you to help us with that.
- 13) Everything we have agreed to do to keep children safe is written down in this and other Child Safe Policies, so that our people can see them and know what to do.

At Saints Netball Club, everyone is a Child Safety Hero.

If you can't remember some of these things, look for the **Child Safe Netball** tag on our training and game day bags – it has a picture of a Netball Hero on it. It's a little visual reminder to look after each other and Speak Up if something doesn't feel right.

There are heaps more things we have agreed to in the full Policy, which you can read on our website www.saintsnetballtownsville.com

Saints Netball Club wants you to feel COMFORTABLE, HAPPY, SAFE and have lots of FUN whenever you spend time with us!