



# **Netball Ireland – Child Safeguarding Statement (CSS)**

Netball Ireland has the following procedures in place as part of our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policies:

- Procedure in respect to the management of allegations of abuse against any member, non-member or staff or volunteer of a child availing of our services
- Procedure for the safe recruitment and selection of workers and volunteers with regard to their suitability to work with children
- Procedure for provision of and access to child safeguarding training and information including the identification of the occurrence of harm
- Procedure for the reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to a Netball Ireland representative and Tusla
- Procedure for appointing a relevant person - the Netball Ireland Child Protection Officer shall be the relevant person (i.e. the first point of contact in respect of this statement)
- Procedure in place for the appointment of Designated Liaison Persons at Club and National level
- Procedure in place for the appointment of Children's Officers at Club and National level who shall also be the relevant persons
- Procedure in place for maintaining the name of the person who is the Mandated Person by Netball Ireland

***The Netball Ireland Mandated Person, who has a legal obligation to report harm of children as per Children First Act 2015 is Mary Kelly (Child Protection Officer), phone 086/8233675 or email [childprotection@netballireland.com](mailto:childprotection@netballireland.com)***

We recognise that implementation is an ongoing process. Our Child Safeguarding Statement has been prepared in accordance with the requirements contained in the Children First Act 2015.

Netball Ireland is committed to the implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement.

**This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed within 24 months of the date below.**

## **Netball Ireland President**

**Name:** Lynette Wall

**Signature:**

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**Date:** 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024

## **Netball Ireland Child Protection Officer**

**Name:** Mary Kelly

**Signature:**

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**Date:** 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024