**Bookham Riding Club**

Safeguarding Crib Sheet

Bookham Riding Club fully accepts its legal and moral obligation under The Children’s Act (1989) and (2004), to provide a duty of care to protect all children and safeguard their welfare, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, parental or marital status, pregnancy, religion or belief, creed, sexual orientation and gender reassignment.

Bookham Riding Club fully adopts the BHS Safeguarding Policy (Children and Young People) Aims.

Please refer to the policy online for further details.

Physical Contact Guidance

Physical contact should be in response to the needs of the child and a good general guideline to keep in mind is: **Don’t do something that the child can do for themselves.**

Physical contact during sport should always be intended to meet the child’s needs, **NOT** the adult’s.

You should only use physical contact if your aim is to:

* Assist a child to mount or dismount
* Coach a child to develop a sports skills or technique
* Prevent an injury or accident from occurring
* Treat an injury

You must:

* Explain to the child the nature and reason for any physical contactreinforcing the teaching or coaching
* Unless the situation is an emergency, you should ask the child for permission
* Encourage the children to voice their concerns if any physical contact makes them feel uncomfortable or threatened

Please refer to the ‘Appropriate Physical Contact’ policy for further information.

Use of Photography Guidance

Organisers should ensure:

• Children and parents should be made aware that a photographer will be present

• Consent should be given from both parties on the event parental consent form

Photographers must:

• Be given a clear brief

• Wear identification

• Not be given unsupervised access to competitors

As a volunteer for Bookham Riding Club we would like you to:

* Implement our Safeguarding policy and procedures
* Report any concerns about or allegations of abuse or poor practice to our Safeguarding Officer
* Listen to any concerns that parents or young people might have
* Help make the club/centre a friendly and welcoming place to be

As a spectator for Bookham Riding Club we would like you to:

* Treat officials and staff members with respect, however much you disagree with their decision.
* Behave responsibility and speak out if something isn’t right.
* Encourage all riders and applaud their efforts. ⎫ Treat competitors, other spectators and event staff with respect and appreciate their level of skill and talent
* Respect and celebrate difference and do not discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of gender, race, sexual orientation or ability.

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