

Pike Angler's Club Child Protection Bullet Points

- The Pike Angler's Club has a duty of care towards all people attending any event sponsored by the club.
- It is not the responsibility of any PAC member to determine whether abuse of a young person has taken place but all concerns must be acted upon. In the main, this means reporting those concerns to the police.
- The Pike Angler's Club aims to use the sport of pike fishing to educate and inform young people and to help steer them away from all the negative aspects of society.
- All members are required to abide by the Club's Child Protection Policy and Procedures.
- Overall responsibility for child protection will be assumed by the General Secretary of the Pike Angler's Club.
- All personal data, in particular addresses of young people must be kept confidential and secure.
- The safety and wellbeing of any child is paramount. They must not be exposed to unnecessary danger nor must they be pushed beyond their physical and mental capabilities.
- Each region which intends to work with children will nominate a Region Child Protection Officer (RCPO). This may or may not be the Regional Organiser but the RCPO will be required to complete an enhanced level CRB Disclosure and his/her appointment must be approved by the central committee of the Pike Angler's Club.
- Volunteers at events where children are present will be asked to sign the PAC's Self Disclosure Form if they have not completed a CRB disclosure.
- Never be alone with a child if this can be avoided, always work in an open environment where you can be observed by others.
- Never share a room or a tent with a child.
- Do not smoke or drink alcohol in front of a child whilst coaching.
- Always carry out a risk assessment of the venue and the activity being undertaken.
- Do not carry out medical treatment if you are not qualified to do so.
- Parents must be kept fully informed of any injury, any suspicion of bullying or any other concern you may have about the child.
- Be sure to keep records of your events, names of participants must be recorded.
- Be prepared for accidents, there should be a first aider, first aid kit and accident reporting system present at every event.