

Safeguarding Education & Training

Frequently Asked Questions

1. **How often should safeguarding training be renewed?**

Safeguarding training must be renewed every three years.

2. **Who is the Safeguarding Awareness module aimed at?**

Details can be found on the [Safeguarding Awareness module](#) webpage and the [Safeguarding Training & Education flow diagram](#).

3. **Is the Safeguarding in Hockey workshop equivalent to the UK Coaching 'Safeguarding and Protecting Children' workshop?**

Yes.

4. **As a coach, if I have previously completed the UKC SPC should I do that again or the England Hockey Safeguarding in Hockey workshop?**

It is compulsory for all sessional and lead coaches to complete the England Hockey Safeguarding in Hockey workshop.

5. **If I have done UKC SPC, should I do the England Hockey Safeguarding in Hockey workshop now?**

No, you can complete the England Hockey Safeguarding in Hockey workshop at the time of your renewal (after 3 years).

6. **Is safeguarding training compulsory as part of coaching and umpiring / officiating workshops?**

Coaching

The Safeguarding Awareness module is compulsory as part of the Introduction to Coaching, Coaching Junior Hockey and Coaching Club Teams workshops and the Sessional Coach course and Lead Coach course.

In addition, the Safeguarding in Hockey workshop is compulsory for the Sessional Coach and Lead Coach courses.

Umpiring / Officiating

The Safeguarding Awareness module is compulsory as part the Level 1 Umpiring Course from 1 August 2025. It is also recommended for all existing Umpires / Officials.



7. **Does everyone need to complete the Safeguarding Awareness module in the interim to have Hockey specific knowledge? Or is this only relevant for new/certain roles?**

Further details can be found on the [Safeguarding Awareness module](#) webpage and the [Safeguarding Training & Education flow diagram](#).

8. **Do England Hockey accept other Safeguarding courses still or is every coach/lead coach/welfare officer expected to complete the new England Hockey learning?**

No, England Hockey do not accept other Safeguarding courses, it is now compulsory to complete the Safeguarding Awareness module and Safeguarding in Hockey workshop to ensure people have hockey specific knowledge.

The only exception to this is where England Hockey will accept non hockey safeguarding training from Welfare Officers as a prerequisite for the Time to Listen workshop, this must be child specific and current within the last three years.

9. **I have an existing Safeguarding training; do I wait until renewal?**

Yes

10. **How do I book a place on Safeguarding learning?**

You can access the Safeguarding Awareness module, Safeguarding in Hockey workshop and the Time to Listen workshop through [Hockey Hub](#).