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Mandatory Requirements for Scotland - Child Wellbeing & Protection in Sport (CWPS)

This document contains further information on CWPS. Please note that regardless of where in the UK you have trained, if you intend to train, lead or coach in Scotland, a CWPS certificate is a mandatory requirement of **sportscotland** & Scottish Cycling.

What is CWPS?

In April 2019, Child Wellbeing and Protection in Sport (CWPS) training resource replaced the UK Coaching Safeguarding and Protecting Children workshop (SPC). CWPS was developed in partnership with Children 1st and now takes a blended learning approach.

This now includes an online module (module 1) which is theory-based followed by a face-to-face learning intervention (module 2). This is suitable for all adults involved in sports organisations that have under 18 participants. It is targeted at all practitioners e.g. all coaches and volunteers working and volunteering directly with children and young people. The training will provide you with the knowledge on child wellbeing and protection that will give you the confidence to deal with issues that may arise in your role working with children.

Why is CWPS Required in Scotland over other Safeguarding Courses?

Other Safeguarding courses aren't accepted by Scottish Cycling nor seen as an equivalent by **sportscotland**. This is mainly down to England & Wales having a different legislative landscape compared to Scotland when it comes to child protection and therefore different principles in the approach. There are also differences in the statutory reporting systems we have in Scotland compared to England & Wales.

What if I train in Scotland but will be Leading in England & Wales?

Elearning & Virtual Classroom safeguarding courses are accepted in England & Wales. This means that if you train in Scotland, however will be leading in England & Wales, you do not require a CWPS. We will however need to be notified of this intent to avoid any delays in qualification.

Where can I find more information and book a CWPS course?

Candidates can find more information and book CWPS courses on the below links:

- 1) <https://sportscotland.org.uk/training/>
- 2) <https://sportscotland.org.uk/safeguarding-in-sport/child-wellbeing-and-protection/training/child-wellbeing-and-protection-in-sport-training-cwps/>
- 3) <https://www.britishcycling.org.uk/scotland/article/child-protection-courses>