



Statement of Commitment to Child Safety

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<p>Our commitment to children and young people [Outline what you intend to do to keep children safe, including your child safe values]</p>	<p>At South United Football Club Tamworth, we are deeply committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment where all children and young people involved in our programs can thrive. The safety and well-being of children is our top priority, and we recognise the critical responsibility we have in ensuring they are protected from harm.</p> <p>We uphold the following principles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Respect for Children's Rights: We believe in respecting and promoting the rights of children and young people, ensuring they have a voice in all matters that affect them, and actively listening to their concerns and needs.• Creating a Safe Environment: We are dedicated to providing an environment that is physically, emotionally, and psychologically safe for children. We implement child protection policies and procedures to ensure a zero-tolerance approach to abuse, bullying, and any form of harm.• Inclusive Participation: We promote fairness and inclusivity for children from all backgrounds.• Education and Awareness: We provide ongoing child protection training to staff and volunteers.• Zero Tolerance for Abuse: We have a strict zero-tolerance policy for all forms of abuse, including physical, emotional, and sexual abuse, and are committed to preventing and responding to any form of harm or misconduct in a timely and effective manner.• Responsive and Transparent Reporting: We encourage safe reporting of concerns and act promptly on any issues.• Regular Review and Improvement: We continuously review our policies and practices to maintain the highest child safety standards. <p>Our commitment ensures that every child involved in our club is respected, safe, and supported in their development.</p>

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<p>Our commitment to parents, carers, families and their communities</p> <p>[Outline what you intend to do to make sure adults uphold your commitment to creating a child safe environment for children and young people]</p>	<p>At South United Football Club Tamworth, we recognise that parents, carers, families, and the wider community play a vital role in ensuring the safety and well-being of children and young people. We are committed to working closely with you to create a child-safe environment that fosters respect, trust, and open communication. To support this commitment, we will:</p>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Engage and Involve Families: We actively encourage parents, carers, and families to be involved in our activities, from training sessions to social events. We believe that a strong partnership with families enhances the safety and development of children. Provide Clear Information: We ensure that all parents and carers are fully informed about our child safety policies, procedures, and the expectations we have for adults involved with the club. This includes our Child Safe Code of Conduct, reporting procedures, and other relevant child protection measures. Promote Safe Behaviour Standards for Adults: We provide clear guidelines to all volunteers, and adults involved with the club, outlining the expectations for appropriate behaviour when interacting with children. This includes adhering to our Child Safe Code of Conduct and ensuring that all adults are responsible for maintaining a safe environment. Support Parents and Carers in Child Protection: We offer resources and information to help parents and carers recognise signs of abuse and understand how to report concerns. We ensure that families have the knowledge and tools to actively contribute to the safety of their child. Responding to Concerns: We take all concerns about child safety seriously and will work with parents, carers, and the community to address any issues. We ensure that concerns are handled professionally and confidentially, in line with our Child Safe Reporting Policy. Building a Child-Safe Community: We strive to foster a community where everyone, including parents, carers, and volunteers, is committed to upholding child safety standards. <p>By working together, we can create a safe, supportive environment that ensures the well-being of every child at South United Football Club Tamworth, and we are committed to supporting parents, carers, and families in this important work.</p>

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<p>Our commitment to being a child safe organisation</p> <p>[Outline how your plans, decision-making and day-to-day operations support your intentions]</p>	<p>We are dedicated to ensuring that every aspect of our operations, from planning to daily activities, is aligned with our commitment to child safety. We prioritise the safety and well-being of children in all decisions, policies, and practices. Our approach to being a child-safe organisation includes the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Child Safety in Decision-Making: Every decision we make, whether it's related to programs, recruitment, or community events, is guided by our child safety principles. We ensure that child safety is considered at all levels of decision-making to create environments that protect children. Child-Safe Policies and Procedures: We have developed and implemented comprehensive child protection policies, including our Child Safe Code of Conduct, Reporting Procedures, and Risk Management Plans. These policies are regularly reviewed and updated to ensure they meet current best practices and legal requirements. Training and Education: Providing ongoing training for all staff and volunteers on child safety. Recruitment and Screening: Conducting thorough background checks for staff and volunteers working with children, including Working with Children Checks (WWCC), to minimise the risk of harm. Risk Management: Regularly assessing and managing risks in our activities. Accessible Reporting Systems: Ensuring clear and confidential reporting systems for concerns. Creating a Culture of Safety: Promoting respect and care within the Club to foster a safe environment. Continuous Improvement: Regularly reviewing and updating our child safety practices. <p>By embedding child safety into every part of our organisation, South United Football Club Tamworth ensures that we provide a safe, welcoming, and supportive environment for all children and young people. We are dedicated to making child safety an integral part of everything we do.</p>
<p>Next review date</p>	<p>This statement will be reviewed annually to ensure continuous improvement of our child safe practices.</p> <p>Next Review Date: 01/02/2026</p>