



Statement of Commitment to Child Safety

At Strathfield Football Club every child has the right to be safe and feel safe. We commit to the safety and wellbeing of every child in our care.

To keep children safe, we commit to:

Implementing the **10 Child Safe Standards**

Standard 1: Child safety is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture

Standard 2: Children participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously

Standard 3: Families and communities are informed and involved

Standard 4: Equity is upheld and diversity is taken into account

Standard 5: People working with children are suitable and supported

Standard 6: Processes to respond to complaints of child abuse are child focused

Standard 7: Staff are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children safe through continual education and training

Standard 8: Physical and online environments minimise the opportunity for abuse to occur

Standard 9: Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is continuously reviewed and improved

Standard 10: Policies and procedures document how the organisation is child safe

- providing a safe, supportive and respectful environment for all children
- making sure that children are not exposed to any form of harmful conduct or abuse
- empowering children to participate in decisions that affect them and share any concerns they may have
- making sure children know who to approach if they feel unsafe or have any child safety concerns.

As a child safe organisation, we commit to:

- educating everyone involved in our organisation about what it means to be a child safe organisation, so that we can prevent, detect and effectively respond to child abuse
- educating everyone involved in our organisation to know how to appropriately respond to complaints, allegations, disclosures and breaches to our Child Safe Code of Conduct
- engaging with all members and welcoming feedback to continuously improve our child safe policies, procedures and practices
- making sure that when family and community members interact with our organisation, they are aware that child safety is everyone's responsibility, and their behaviour aligns with our child safe practices.