

BWY CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

GENERAL INFORMATION

INTRODUCTION

- Both the CP and Equity Policies (plus other CP related material) are available on the website (www.bwy.org.uk /About the Wheel /Child Protection and Equity) or printed versions are obtainable from the LCPO.
- Teachers are not expected to know the CP Policy “off by heart”. It is there as a resource, or a “toolkit”, to access information.
- The important thing is to know *where* information is in the Policy; the Contents page is well indexed with sections and sub-sections, all page-referenced, so it is possible to dip into the Policy quite easily.
- Four aspects to CP – a) prevention (putting “safeguards in place”), b) understanding and recognising poor practice and abuse, c) procedures to deal with concerns, and d) appropriate qualifications.
- Teachers should be appropriately trained – BWY Yoga for Children Module or similar (for teachers offering dedicated classes to under 18 year olds) and basic CP training.

a) PREVENTION

“Safeguards in place” means:

- Teachers should be appropriately trained and qualified.
- Teachers offering dedicated classes to young people under 18 years of age must:
 - hold a current Enhanced Disclosure obtained through the BWY (they last 3 years from date of issue), and
 - complete other BWY paperwork (see Section 2 and Appendix F of Policy).
- Teachers offering adult classes with under 18-year-old/s in the class need to be fully aware of CP and Equity implications (see Summary of Safeguarding Procedures – enclosed).
- Teachers should make reference to Section 3 of the CP Policy – Promoting Good Practice with Young People.
- Having all safeguards in place will hopefully prevent any incidents occurring.

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b) RECOGNISING POOR PRACTICE and ABUSE

- Teachers should be familiar with what is meant by poor practice and different types of abuse (Section 4 of CP Policy)

c) PROCEDURES re CONCERNS

- This relates to how teachers respond if they have concerns about the behaviour of someone:
 - within BWY (this could be poor practice or suspected abuse)
 - outside of BWY
- Teachers should have emergency contact details readily available (see enclosed sheet)
- Section 5 of CP Policy gives a detailed explanation, including roles and responsibilities of designated BWY officers (Section 5.3)
- Appendix A of CP Policy – gives a quick guide to procedures followed by 2 flowcharts (concerns with BWY; concerns outside of BWY)

d) QUALIFICATIONS and TRAINING

- BWY Yoga for Children Module for teachers offering dedicated children's/ young persons classes (details available from the BWY Modules Co-Ordinator)
- sportscoachUK basic CP training (see enclosed information)

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Enclosures: CP and Equity Policies (if not accessible from website)
Summary of Safeguarding Procedures ([Forms\Checklist Oct 07](#))
Tutors Emergency Contact Details ([Support>Contact Nos Tutors Aug 07](#))
SportscoachUK CP Training Details