



Setanta Orienteers Child Safeguarding Statement (CSS)

Setanta Orienteers provides various sporting activities and opportunities for young people through participation in clubs, regional/provincial events and through our national teams.

Setanta Orienteers is committed to safeguarding children and by working under the guidance of our NGB Safeguarding Policies our volunteers, working with our young people, throughout the organisation, seek to create a safe environment for young people to grow and develop within sport. The following set of principles should be adhered to:

- ! **Importance of childhood** – The importance of childhood should be understood and valued by everyone involved in sport.
- ! **Needs of the child** – All children's sport experiences should be guided by what is best for children. This means that adults should have a basic understanding of the emotional, physical and personal needs of young people.
- ! **Integrity in relationships** – Adults interacting with children in sport are in a position of trust and influence. They should always ensure that children are treated with integrity and respect, and the self-esteem of young people is enhanced.
- ! **Fair Play** – All children's sport should be conducted in an atmosphere of fair play. The principles of fair play should always be emphasised, and organisers should give clear guidelines regarding acceptable standards of behaviour.
- ! **Quality atmosphere & ethos** – Children's sport should be conducted in a safe, positive and encouraging atmosphere.
- ! **Competition** – Competition is an essential element of sport and should be encouraged in an age appropriate manner. A child centred ethos will help to ensure that competition and specialisation are kept in their appropriate place.
- ! **Equality** – All children should be valued and treated in an equitable and fair manner regardless of ability, age, gender, religion, social and ethnic background or political persuasion.

Melanie Walsh
Children's Officer (Setanta Orienteers)

Eileen Walsh
Designated Liaison Person (Setanta Orienteers)



SETANTA ORIENTEERS POLICY ON USE OF PHOTOGRAPHIC AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT

The Designated Liaison Person is: *Eileen Walsh*

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**In line with the recommendation in the IOA Code of Conduct,
the organisers of this event request that any person wishing
to engage in any video, zoom or close range photography
should register their details with the organisers. It is
advisable that children are not photographed or filmed without
their permission and/or the permission of their
parent/guardian.**