



Crewe Town FC Health and Safety Policy

The manager/coach is the responsible person for their 'Age Group Team', this person has a duty to ensure that they hold an in-date:

- FA accepted enhanced DBS check;
- FA Introduction to First Aid in Football; and
- FA safeguarding children qualification.

Managers/Coach's must ensure that anyone helping at training, or on match days, hold a minimum of an FA accepted engaged DBS check.

The following guidelines should be carried out by all Managers and Coaches:

1. **Equipment**

Checks should be taken to ensure that:

- All players are wearing shin guards during both training and on match days.
- All equipment is undamaged and is used in accordance with manufacturer's inductions. If in any doubt, do not use and report to a member of the committee at your earliest convenience.
- Players are booted and the 'blades' and 'studs' on them are checked regularly for safety.
- All items of jewellery are strictly forbidden and must be removed. Using tape to cover jewellery is NOT acceptable.

2. **Playing and Training Venue.**

Checks should be undertaken to ensure that:

- The pitch is checked for any hazards i.e., any obstacle, item or implements which may cause harm or discomfort to any player or officials.
- That goal posts are secure and safe.
- That corner flags and 'Respect' barriers are used correctly in matches.

3. **Visual Risk Assessment**

- By completing points 1 and 2 above, amateur/Coach is performing a dynamic risk assessment on all Crewe Town FC activities and venues used. On completing the assessment, Manager or Coach should ensure that all 'control measures to reduce both the severity and probability of harm from hazards occurring are put in place and checked.

4. **First Aid**

- Make sure a qualified first aider is at all training and match venues with a suitable first aid kit. A fully charged mobile phone should be available.

5. **Contact Details**

- Ensure you have an up to date 'Emergency contacts schedule' (this is can be obtained by logging into Class4Kids and accessing your team register).

6. **End of Game Procedures**

- All equipment should be packed away safely and securely
- All rubbish should be removed from areas used.
- Manager.Coach should not leave the location until Players have departed.

7. **Incident Reporting**

- In the event of an injury, an 'Accident Report' is required to be completed. Once this has been completed it is to be given to the Club Welfare Officer.

8. **Parental Responsibility**

- Children remain the responsibility of their parents/legal guardians at all times when participating in football training, matches and any other Crewe Town FC activities, this also includes their arrival and departure from all of the above.
- Crewe Town FC does provide all reasonable safeguarding in terms of appropriately vetting its coaches and volunteers, having a Club Welfare Officer and acting in accordance with Policy and Advice issued by Cheshire County Football Association in the conduct of its activities and affairs.

- At Crewe Town FC, our volunteers do have a duty of care for the children in our membership but this does not extend to the level of that of teachers or registered childminders and as such parents/ legal guardians are advised against dropping their younger age children off and leaving the site during training, matches and any other Crewe Town FC activities.
- Should parents/legal guardians make arrangements with other adults concerning their child including their supervision and transportation to/from Crewe Town FC activities then this is at their own responsibility in their own legal capacity and not the responsibility of Crewe Town FC.

Signed 3rd May 2024

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Edge', written over a faint rectangular stamp or watermark.

John Edge - Chairman