



Safeguarding
**Self-Declaration and Consent for Access NI check
 for those in regulated Activity**

Statement of non-discrimination

This club is affiliated to Netball NI and is committed to equal opportunity for all applicants including those with criminal convictions. Information about criminal convictions is requested to assist the selection process and will be taken into account only when the conviction is considered relevant to the post. Any disclosure will be seen in the context of the job criteria, the nature of the offence and the responsibility for the care of existing members, volunteers and employees. This organisation will adhere to Access NI guidance on the recruitment of ex-offenders: <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/publications/sample-policy-recruitment-ex-offenders>

For the purposes of your application for the post of:

We require all coaches/volunteers in positions of responsibility for managing the safety and development of young people to consent to an Access NI disclosure process and sign the declaration and return it marked confidential to (**Netball NI Designated Officer**)

Should you require further information, please contact **Netball NI Designated Officer**

This organisation will adhere to Access NI’s Code of Practice a copy is available to all applicants at <https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/publications/accessni-code-practice>

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

HOME ADDRESS _____

CONTACT NUMBER _____

CLUB: _____

Please read this information carefully

The purpose of the check is to make sure that people are not appointed who might be a risk to children or vulnerable adults.

The check will tell us whether you have a criminal record, caution, or whether any other information about you held on barred lists may have a bearing on your suitability. Any information which we receive will be treated confidentially and will be discussed with you before we make a final decision. After that decision is made the information returned from Access NI will be destroyed.

Advice to Applicants

You have applied for a role which falls within the definition of an “excepted” position as provided by the Rehabilitation of Offenders (Exceptions) Order (NI) 1979: therefore ALL convictions including SPENT convictions that are not protected by the 2014 amendments MUST be disclosed. The disclosure of a criminal history information will not debar you from



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participating as a volunteer unless the Netball NI case management group considers that the information renders you unsuitable for the role applied for. In making this decision the Netball NI case management group will consider the nature of the offence/caution, how long ago it was committed and what age you were at the time and other factors which may be relevant. This information will be verified through an appropriate Access NI Enhanced Disclosure check. If you are currently facing prosecution for a criminal offence you should also bring this to our attention given the "excepted" nature of the role.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Do you have any convictions/cautions that are not "protected" as defined by the Rehabilitation of Offenders (Exceptions) (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) Order 2014. Been barred by the Disclosure and Barring Service (formally the Independent Safeguarding Authority) which would prevent you from working with children and/or vulnerable adults or the subject of an investigation alleging that you were the perpetrator of adult or child abuse?

Yes No

If so, please state below the nature, date(s) and sentence of the offence(s), date prevented from working in this area or allegations

Please provide any other information you feel may be of relevance such as:

- the circumstances of the offence/caution/incident
- a comment on the sentence received
- any relevant developments in your situation since then
- whether or not you feel the conviction has relevance to this post.

Please continue on a separate page if necessary.

(If you require further information on what information to disclose please contact NIACRO Helpline Tel: 028 90 320157)



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Declaration

I understand that I must also complete an AccessNI Disclosure Certificate Application Form and that this check must be carried out before my application for registration/ appointment can be confirmed. This has been explained to me and I am aware that spent convictions/cautions may be disclosed. I declare that the information I have given is accurate.

Have you ever been known to any Social Services department as being a risk or potential risk to children?	YES / NO <i>(if Yes, please provide further information below):</i>
Have you been the subject of any disciplinary investigation and/or sanction by any organisation due to concerns about your behaviour towards children?	YES / NO <i>(if Yes, please provide further information)</i>
Confirmation of Declaration <i>(tick box below)</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I agree that the information provided here may be processed in connection with my volunteer role and I understand that any role may be withdrawn or dismissal may result if information is not disclosed by me and subsequently come to the organisation's attention.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I agree to inform the organisation within 24 hours if I am subsequently investigated by any agency or organisation in relation to concerns about my behaviour towards children or young people.
<input type="checkbox"/>	I understand that the information contained on this form and information supplied by third parties may be supplied by the Netball NI to other persons or organisations in circumstances where this is considered necessary to safeguard other children.

I declare that any answers are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and I will inform Netball NI of any future convictions or charges.

Signature: _____

Print Name: _____

Date: _____