

FC Halifax Town Foundation - Safeguarding & Child Protection Guidance

Creating a Safe and Respectful Environment

FC Halifax Town Foundation is committed to ensuring that every child and young person involved in football experiences a safe, positive and enjoyable environment.

Safeguarding applies to **all adults** involved in football — coaches, volunteers, referees, parents, staff and players. Anyone can raise a concern, and every concern will be taken seriously.

How to Report a Safeguarding Concern

1. FC Halifax Town Safeguarding Contacts

- Safeguarding Lead: Sarah Maligranda (sarahmaligranda@yahoo.co.uk)
- Club Welfare Officer: Josh Walsh (07701 260 005, joshwalsh@fchtcommunity.com)

2. County FA Safeguarding Officer

- West Riding FA DSO: Paul Ratcliffe (Paul.Ratcliffe@westridingfa.com)

3. The FA Safeguarding Team

- Email: safeguarding@TheFA.com | Phone: 0800 169 1863

4. NSPCC Helpline (24 hours)

- Phone: 0808 800 5000

5. Emergency Services

- If a child is at immediate risk, call the Police or Children's Social Care.

Staying Safe Online

- Tell a trusted adult if you receive messages that make you uncomfortable.
- Know who from the club is allowed to contact you.
- Report anything worrying to a coach, safeguarding lead or welfare officer.
- Do not post or share abusive, threatening, racist or offensive content.
- Do not share personal information with people you do not know offline.
- Do not add coaches or officials on personal social media.

CEOP – Child Exploitation and Online Protection

Website: www.ceop.police.uk