

# People 11 – Making Sessions Safe

Club	Criteria
<b>Junior Club</b>	<p><b>Essential</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1 Lead coach who has a minimum of an EH Sessional Coach qualification present at each session, with responsibility for the whole session</li> <li>- Ratio of 1 coach* to 8 children (5-11)</li> <li>- Ratio of 1 coach* to 12 children (12-16)</li> <li>- All coaches over the age of 16 involved in the session to hold an England Hockey Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). For more information on what is required for each role please see FAQ question 9</li> <li>- All coaches to have undertaken relevant Safeguarding training within the last three years. For more information on what is required for each role please see FAQ question 7</li> <li>- Lead coach to have relevant insurance cover through themselves or the club</li> <li>- One coach present at session to have a relevant 1<sup>st</sup> Aid certificate</li> </ul> <p><b>Desirable</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If the Lead Coach is working with a group of players over a period of time (e.g. season) and/or is responsible for the planning of sessions over this period of time then England Hockey would strongly recommend they have the EH Coach qualification</li> <li>- All coaches involved in the session to have their own insurance cover</li> <li>- All coaches to have accessed development opportunities specific to working with children, for example Engaging Games For Children</li> </ul> <p>*Each session should have one qualified coach; other coaches could be helper, parent, assistant coach etc. There should always be a minimum of 2 coaches present</p>
<b>Adult Only Club</b>	<p><b>Essential</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1 Lead coach who has a minimum of an EH Sessional Coach qualification present at each session, with responsibility for the whole session</li> <li>- Ratio of 1 coach* to 16 adults</li> <li>- Lead coach to have relevant insurance cover through themselves or the club</li> <li>- One coach present at session to have a relevant 1<sup>st</sup> Aid certificate</li> </ul> <p><b>Desirable</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If the Lead Coach is working with a group of players over a period of time (e.g. season) and/or is responsible for the planning of sessions over this period of time then England would strongly recommend they have the EH Coach qualification</li> <li>- All coaches involved in the session to have their own insurance cover</li> <li>- All coaches to have accessed development opportunities specific to working with adults, for example Coaching For Club Players</li> </ul> <p>*Each session should have one qualified coach, other coaches could be helper, parent, assistant coach</p>
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<p><b>Flyerz Disability Club</b></p>	<p><b>Essential</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 1 Lead coach who has a minimum of an EH Sessional Coach qualification present at each session, with responsibility for the whole session</li> <li>- Ratio of 1 coach* to 12 players</li> <li>- All coaches over the age of 16 involved in the session to hold an England Hockey Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS). For more information on what is required for each role please see FAQ question 9</li> <li>- All coaches involved in the session to have undertaken relevant Safeguarding training within the last three years. For more information on what is required for each role please see FAQ question 7</li> <li>- Lead coach to have relevant insurance cover through themselves or the club</li> <li>- One coach present at session to have a relevant 1<sup>st</sup> Aid certificate</li> </ul> <p><b>Desirable</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If the Lead Coach is working with a group of players over a period of time (e.g. season) and/or is responsible for the planning of sessions over this period of time then England Hockey would strongly recommend they have the EH Coach qualification</li> <li>- All coaches involved in the session to have their own insurance cover</li> <li>- All coaches to have accessed development opportunities specific to working with disabled people, for example sports coach UK Inclusion Workshops</li> </ul> <p>*This is a minimum requirement for clubmark criteria, depending on the individual needs/ability of the group this may need to be higher. Each session should have one qualified coach; other coaches could be helper, parent, assistant coach etc. There should always be a minimum of 2 coaches present</p>

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## FAQS

### 1. What is the EH Sessional Coach qualification?

The EH Sessional Coach Course is the Level 2 Award in Sessional Hockey Coaching. If the Lead Coach is working with a group of players over a season and is responsible for the planning of sessions over this period of time then we would strongly recommend they have the EH Coach qualification (Level 2 Certificate in Hockey Coaching) or the previous UKCC England Hockey Level 2

### 2. Where does my existing UKCC qualification fit within the new Coach Development Pathway

**Previous UKCC England Hockey Level One** is the equivalent of the Introduction to Hockey Coaching Workshop. We would not recommend this would be sufficient to lead a session independently but would give coaches the support, knowledge and confidence to help deliver sessions that are safe, suitable and inspiring for the players they coach

**Previous UKCC England Hockey Level Two** is the equivalent of both the UKCC England Hockey Sessional Coach and UKCC England Hockey Coach, and is eligible in terms of the essential criteria for a Lead Coach. Depending on how long ago this qualification was obtained we would recommend coaches access one of the new development opportunities as part of the Coach Development Pathway to gain an insight into the new direction of coaching within England Hockey

**Previous UKCC England Hockey Level Three** is eligible in terms of the essential criteria for a Lead Coach. Depending on how long ago this qualification was obtained we would recommend coaches access one of the new development opportunities as part of the Coach Development Pathway to gain an insight into the new direction of coaching within England Hockey

### 3. What is a Lead Coach

For the clubmark criteria a Lead Coach is defined as the person who has overall responsibility for the session e.g. safety and appropriate coach to athlete ratios. They may be delivering aspects of the session themselves and/or supervising the delivery of other activities taking place on the pitch.

### 4. What is a Coach

For the clubmark criteria a coach is defined as anyone who should be delivering activities as part of an overall session, they may be leading these activities under the supervision of the Lead Coach or just helping out with sessions taking place

### 5. What other development opportunities are available for me?

There are a number of workshops available as part of the Great Britain Coaching Club Programme that provide flexible, accessible and inspirational development opportunities related to specific populations. For more information please click [here](#).

### 6. What sports coach UK Inclusion Workshops would England Hockey recommend?

Please click [here](#) for more information on Inclusion Workshops run by sportscoach UK

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## 7. What is a relevant safeguarding workshop certificate?

It is essential that all people who work with under 18's in hockey receive training that is appropriate to their role. The matrix below demonstrates which safeguarding training is suitable for each coaching role (for explanations for coaching roles please see above):

Clubmark Criteria	Development Accessed	EH Online Safeguarding Course	sportscoach UK (Safeguarding & Protecting Children) Workshop 1	Other Courses accepted
<b>Lead Coach -</b>	EH Hockey Coach		Essential	The FA Safeguarding Children Workshop
	EH Sessional Coach		Essential	
	Previous UKCC England Hockey Level 2 or 3		Essential	
<b>Coach</b> ( e.g. parent helper, assistant coach)	Introduction to Hockey Coaching	Essential	Optional	
	Great Britain Coaching Club Programme Workshop e.g. Engaging Games For Children or Coaching For Club Players	Essential	Optional	
	Previous UKCC England Hockey Level 1	Essential	Optional	
	sportscoach UK Inclusion Workshops	Essential	Optional	
	None at present	Essential	Optional	

If you have previously attended the sportscoach UK – Safeguarding & Protecting Children in Sport (SPC 1) 3 hour workshop within the last 3 years, coaches are able to renew their certificate by completing *Renewal: Safeguarding & Protecting Children in Sport* online workshop, available at the following link

<http://www.sportscoachuk.org/coaches/i-want-coach/elearning/renewal-safeguarding-and-protecting-children-sport>

## 8. Is Safeguarding required if it is an adult only club and all members are over 18?

If there are no players or coaches under the age of 18 this is not a requirement

## 9. How can I get more information on DBS checks and what is required?

Please click [here](#) to download the DBS eligibility guidance

## 10. What is a relevant 1<sup>st</sup> Aid certificate?

We strongly recommend all coaches attend a certificated Emergency First Aid Course lasting a minimum of 3 hours and including CPR training; it must be current and maintained, a refresher or recertification is required every 3 years

## 11. What are the requirements for an adult only club that does not run any training sessions

In this instance if a club just plays matches there are no coaching requirements