

Special Olympics New Zealand & Special Olympics Club Safeguarding Leads

Special Olympics New Zealand (SONZ) is committed to safe sports opportunities for all participants. We recognise our responsibility to promote safe practices, to protect participants from possible harm while engaging with Special Olympics activity,

The SONZ Participant Protection Framework covers the policy and processes to support this work, which includes the appointment of two Safeguarding Leads, whose role is to be the 'go to' for the Special Olympics community for any Safeguarding queries and questions.

SONZ Athlete Safeguarding Leads

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In addition, each affiliated Special Olympics Club is required to appoint a Club Safeguarding Lead (CSL) to act as the the point of contact for SONZ re: safeguarding processes and education, the point of contact for questions and concerns within their club community, and responsible for ensuring appropriate safeguarding information is available and understood by their club community.

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