

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK (WWCC) POLICY

To enhance child safety within our club, we enacted a policy broadening the categories of individuals mandated to undergo the NSW Government's Working with Children Check.

APPLICABILITY OF THE POLICY

This policy applies to individuals such as Officials, Coaches, Managers, Technical Directors, volunteers, and participants.

EXEMPTIONS UNDER CURRENT LEGISLATION

The existing WWCC legislation provides exemptions for specific categories, including:

• Persons aged under 18 years.

CLUB AND TEAM OFFICIAL OBLIGATIONS

CLFC requires all club and team officials over the age of 18 to hold a valid WWCC. This applies to Coaches, Managers, Technical Directors, and others fulfilling an official role with the club.

Exemptions recognised by Football NSW include persons under 18, grounds persons, guest presenters for one-off presentations, and those working with children from another state for up to 30 days a calendar year.

REFEREES' OBLIGATIONS

Unless under 18, all referees require a paid WWCC as per Football NSW Policy.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

When registering individuals must enter their WWC number during registration, with exemptions for persons under 18.

VERIFICATION PROCESS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Registration is only approved once the individual enters their WWCC number.
- 2. The relevant Club, Association, Branch, Centre, Referee Branch, and/or Football NSW must verify the WWCC number through the online verification system at <u>www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au</u>.
- 3. The responsible entity must retain verification details per WWCC legislation requirements.
- 4. CLFC will verify any official registration with the club.