

Essex Chess Association

Risk Assessment for events involving children, young persons and adults in need

This form is for the use of

- a) ECA officials running an ECA event that may involve children, young people or adults in need
- b) ECA officials appointing a host organisation to run an ECA event that may involve children, young people or adults in need.

The purpose of the risk assessment is to identify areas of potential risk and measures to reduce risk to ensure that any ECA event is conducted in a safe environment for those who may be vulnerable, and that safeguarding is at the forefront of event organisation. The risk assessment is intended to be a narrative one.

ECA Pre-season welcome back to real chess festival – 14th August 2021 – Junior events held at Wanstead House operated by Wanstead House Community Association “WHCA”.

<u>Narrative Comment</u>	<u>Risk Level:</u> <u>Low, Mid, High</u>
Suitability of host organisation Essex Chess Association utilising the services of DBS checked organisers from local junior chess clubs	Low
Is there a need for a Working with Children Supervisor No as a one-off event and parental supervision will apply unless a responsible adult is appointed in accordance with ECA Safeguarding Policy. It is however best practice to have vetted supervisors in place. See below.	Low
Safe Recruitment and Selection Experienced junior organisers have been engaged for the event	Low
Building suitability The Hall at Wanstead House is a self-contained building. Overflow accommodation in Redbridge room on the ground floor of the House is self-contained with parental supervision space outside and in the garden. Monitoring of single exit to the car-park required in event of junior use of the lawn. Parental supervision is ECA policy.	Low
Health and Safety WHCA is a multi-purpose community venue which has “covid secure” status, with Step 3 precautions having been continued during August. See ECA covid-19 risk assessment for the event. It is closed to the general public. Only ECA events are taking place on site on 14 August 2021. First aid equipment is available in the venue. Emergency contact numbers required for parents of all juniors.	Low
Is public liability insurance in place Both WHCA and ECA have public liability insurance.	Low

Notice of Conditions of Entry In email notifications and any entry form.	Low
Guidance to Organisers and Officials ECA Guidance for Organisers and Officials of ECA events involving children applies. Covid-19 hygiene protocols for setting up playing rooms and equipment (as per Covid-19 risk assessment) notification.	Low
Arrangements for any recording of images By ECA organiser only in accordance with ECA Privacy Notice.	Low
Arrangements for recording attendance Tournament entry for players. Evacuation register for officials and parents.	Low
Arrangements for reporting safeguarding concerns As per ECA Safeguarding policy with reporting form. Safeguarding Officer in attendance.	Low
Arrangements for supervision Parental and/or responsible adult supervision. Working with children supervisors appointed and confirmed for the event are Mark Murrell (WWJCCC) and Tom Barton (IJCC). Additionally subject to availability Ben Harte (WWJCC) and Robin Slade (CJCC).	Low.
Arrangements for the processing of personal information Entry information in accordance with ECA Privacy Notice. No special data is being processed.	Low.
Arrangements for notification of collection & processing of personal data Event notification will address collection and processing of data in accordance with the ECA Privacy Notice.	Low.
Any other matters Covid-19 precautions – as per accompanying Covid-19 risk assessment. No HMG covid-19 restrictions are currently in place for indoor events for those aged U18. Guidance document (19 July 2021) COVID-19: Actions for out-of-school settings - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) . Event arrangements compliant.	Low.
Summary of risk for event Areas of risk have been considered with appropriate measures taken and at event implementation actions identified.	Low.

Having undertaken the above assessment I am satisfied that the arrangements for the event meet the ECA's Safeguarding and Data Protection Policies.

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Dated: 4 August 2021

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Recommendations for action: None, other than implementation of stated covid-19 hygiene measures, supervision of any outdoor activity and evacuation registers.