

## SAFEGUARDING NEWSLETTER



#### **CWO SUPPORT FORUM**

The first Welfare Officer Forum will be held virtually on Tuesday 11th July 6-7pm. You should have already received the link to this.

#### TIME TO LISTEN

There are a limited number of spaces still available on our next TTL course which will be held vis zoom on Wednesday 12th July 18.30 - 21.30

#### **TOURING WITH CHILDREN**

Please remember that if any teams within your club are organising overseas tours, they must compete an RFL Tour Application Form. The full policy has recently been reviewed can be found at:

Touring with Children Guide 2023

#### **TEMPORARY SUSPENSION ORDERS**

Below is guidance for you on why the RFL issue Temporary Suspension Orders (TSO)

The RFL will place a TSO on an individual if they have reason to believe that the person:

- Could pose a risk to a particular child
- Could pose a risk to children within a rugby league environment
- The person could put undue influence on a child or club member
- The RFL is sometimes asked by statutory agencies to put a TSO on an individual who has been arrested or becomes known to them and they deem the person to be a risk to children.

We do not know how long a TSO will remain in place as each individual and circumstances vary. We are often unable to progress an investigation if police and statutory agencies are involved as their investigation would take priority and we are led by them. Once we have been informed that we can begin an investigation, the relevant people will be contacted by an RFL appointed investigator.



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### **TOUCH LINE BEHAVIOUR**

Over recent months the RFL Safeguarding Case Management Team have been trialling 'no spectator' sanctions for teams who parents, carers and /or spectators enter the field of play. To date this has worked really well, and Id like to thank all the clubs involved for their support.

Where the RFL receive video footage of this happening then the sanction will be issued immediately and will cover two consecutive fixtures.

If your club is affected by this, you will be provided with full guidance. Where possible an RFL or League representative will be present.

Once again thank you for all your hard work and dedication in helping us keep children in our sport safe. If you have any examples of good practice, you wish to share in the October newsletter then please get in touch.

