



# Statement of Commitment to Child Safety

At the Illawarra Academy of Sport (IAS) all young athletes have the right to be safe and feel safe. We commit to the safety and wellbeing of every young athlete in our care.

To keep young athletes safe, we commit to:

- implementing the 10 Child Safe Standards
- providing a safe and supportive environment for all young athletes
- making sure that young athletes are not exposed to any form of harmful conduct or abuse
- empowering young athletes to participate in decisions that affect them and share any concerns they may have
- making sure young athletes know who to approach if they feel unsafe or have any safety concerns.

As a child safe organisation, we commit to:

- educating everyone involved in our organisation about what it means to be a child safe organisation, so that we can prevent, detect and effectively respond to child abuse
- making sure everyone involved in our organisation knows how to appropriately respond to complaints, allegations, disclosures and breaches to our Child Safe Code of Conduct
- welcoming feedback to continuously improve our child safe policies, procedures and practices
- making sure that when family and community members interact with our organisation, they are aware that child safety is everyone's responsibility, and their behaviour aligns with our child safe practices.

For more information, please visit our website: [www.ias.org.au](http://www.ias.org.au)

