



Ten Tors 2026 Safeguarding Policy

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CHAPTER 1

CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFEGUARDING POLICY

1..1 It is Director Ten Tors' policy to promote and ensure the welfare of all participants¹ in Ten Tors (TT)² and to safeguard participants from harm; defined as physical, sexual or emotional abuse and neglect by:

- a. Ensuring the welfare of participating young people is paramount;
- b. Taking into account in all its considerations and activities, the interests and wellbeing of participants;
- c. Respecting the rights, wishes and feelings of the participants with whom it is working;
- d. Taking all reasonable steps to protect participants from harm;
- e. Promoting the welfare and protection of participants through good practice and adherence to relevant statutory obligations.

1.2 All participants have the right to protection from all forms of abuse and harm when taking part in TT.

1.3 It is the primary responsibility of supervising staff from the participating establishments³, supported by TT enablers⁴ to; safeguard the welfare of participants regardless of gender, religion, race, ability, sexuality and social background by protecting them from any form of physical, emotional and sexual abuse or neglect.

1.4 All TT enablers have a duty of care, which makes them responsible both for safeguarding participants from harm and for responding swiftly and appropriately when suspicions or allegations of inappropriate behaviour arise.

1.5 The organisers⁵ aim to ensure that all participants are kept safe from harm while they are participating in TT by:

- a. Providing participants, parents, Team Managers (TM) and Heads of Establishments with information about what we do and what they can expect from us.

¹ Participants are defined as those young people within the specified age ranges permitted to take part in TT, including travelling reserves. It does not include visitors, visiting or spectating families, children or young people, for whom parents or guardians remain responsible.

² TT is the generic term used for the TT Challenge, Jubilee Challenge and Jubilee Challenge Plus.

³ Participating establishments are schools, education establishments, youth groups, cadet forces or other organisations entering teams or individuals in accordance with the TT Rules.

⁴ TT enablers are those military personnel, contracted personnel, specialist volunteers, third sector charities, voluntary organisations or any other persons acting in a supervisory or staff capacity to deliver activities or support functions for, or on behalf of, Director TT and for whom Director TT assumes authority and responsibility.

⁵ The organisers are the HQSW Ten Tors Team.

- b. Making sure that all enablers are appropriately selected, trained and suitable for their role.
- c. Providing a means for participants, team staff, families and enablers to report their concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of TT participants.
- d. Providing a network of trained adults to ensure the safety of all participants throughout TT.
- e. The Head of Establishment assuring Director Ten Tors that all team staff are competent and suitable for the role to which they are assigned, and that the team staff ensure only those adults who are appointed have unsupervised access to participants.
- f. Ensuring that only those TT safety, medical or rescue staff directed to assist participants have necessary access to young people.
- g. Developing a culture of thinking and acting safely.

CHAPTER 2

PREVENTING CHILD ABUSE

2.0 Preventing child abuse is the responsibility of all TT enablers⁶.

2.1 Promoting the welfare of participants and safeguarding them from harm is every adult's responsibility. Most child abuse can be prevented. Participants will and should see all TT enablers as people they can trust and from whom they can seek help.

2.2 TT enablers must act if:

- a. Participants disclose, or shows signs, that they are being harmed or abused in any way;
- b. There are concerns about the welfare or safety of any participant;
- c. There are concerns about unsafe practice;
- d. A personal allegation of abuse is received or an allegation of abuse about any other person;

2.3 Adult Duty to Speak Out (often described as "whistleblowing"). Any safeguarding concern is an exception to the normal requirement to follow the chain of command. Every TT enabler is required to report any suspicion of abuse or harm concerning a participant whether it is inside or outside TT and no one should feel, or be made to feel uncomfortable, bullied or intimidated by doing so or being coerced into not reporting these concerns.

2.4 Participant's Freedom to Speak Out. Participants should feel comfortable and free to report, at any time, any safeguarding concerns within or outside TT to any enabler. Participants must have confidence they are being listened to.

2.5 Support and Advice. Participants, establishment staff and parents can seek advice on child protection matters from the TT Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL), details for whom will be promulgated through the TT website annually.

2.6 The TT DSL is the immediate source of advice relating to all child protection matters during TT for all TT enablers. The TT DSL may, in exceptional circumstances, issue mandatory advice in respect of the management of child protection incidents.

SEXUAL EXPLOITATION, ABUSE AND HARASSMENT (SEAH)

2.7 Safeguarding against sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment (SEAH) is everyone's responsibility (HM Government, 2020). Dir TT is committed to preventing

⁶ This policy is aimed at the safeguarding of TT participants; however, should an enabler have safeguarding concerns regarding any child or young person it should be brought to the attention of the DSL.

SEAH and takes a zero -tolerance approach including ignoring, covering up or mishandling cases related to SEAH.

2.8 Dir TT will do this by:

- a. Responding to queries, complaints and accusations of this nature with respect, confidentiality, safety and non-discrimination.
- b. Placing the rights, needs, wishes of victims and survivors at the centre of reporting, investigative, complaints and response systems.
- c. Having robust reporting and whistleblowing systems.
- d. A dedicated DSL to provide up to date advice and recommendations on SEAH concerns.
- e. Implementing safe recruitment processes and a self-disclosure process for specified staff and volunteers.
- f. Receiving written assurance from Lead Enablers that appropriate Criminal Records Checks or declarations have been conducted in accordance with the law as identified in the TT Safeguarding Risk Assessment.

CHAPTER 3

SAFER RECRUITMENT

3.0 TT enablers are drawn from across society, comprising military personnel and civilians. Director TT does not recruit all enablers; however, it is Director TT's responsibility to ensure those enablers attending TT are appropriate for the role they are undertaking. Safer recruitment helps to ensure those enablers encountering young people have been subjected to a proportionate level of screening and vetting and therefore contributes to the overall safety of the participants and protects the reputation of the Event. For those military personnel in attendance most will be on duty as a requirement of their unit tasking, others are long standing volunteers whose attendance is sanctioned by their CoC. TT is also supported by a myriad of statutory and voluntary organisations including Devon and Cornwall Constabulary (D&C Const), Dartmoor Rescue Group (DRG), St John Ambulance (SJA), JC Systems and Landmarc.

3.1 The various roles undertaken by TT enablers differ in their contact with young people. Military personnel providing logistic support are unlikely to have direct contact with participants and have no face-to-face responsibilities whereas Tor Parties, DRG and SJA will all have significant face to face contact with TT participants. The level of scrutiny applied to each role therefore varies; however, each enabler is required to adhere to this policy irrespective of whether a specific check is annotated for their role.

3.2 TT's enablers' roles are viewed through the following lenses:

- a. Administrative roles with no direct responsibilities to support participants, this includes Landmarc personnel and all G4 functions, camp security, car parking, camp site fire piquets etc.
- b. Operational Supporting roles – operational staff whose primary responsibility is to directly support the delivery and control of the Event including HQ staff, Ops room staff, JC systems tracking staff, public information staff. These personnel are unlikely to have direct responsibility to support participants.
- c. Operational Delivery roles – these groupings have variable interaction with participants and as such are most likely to engage with participants, either in a supervisory or safety capacity. These roles include Environmental Control Monitors (ECMs) during the training phase, Tor Parties, Fall Out Groups, Fall Out Centres, Scrutineers, DRG, military medical staff, SJA etc.

3.3 Vetting and scrutiny of adults supporting this Event must be proportionate to the risk and comply with the requirements of Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act (SVGA) 2006⁷. In many instances this will include a DBS⁸ check; however, DBS checks are required only where the activity is considered a regulated activity. TT is anomalous in this regard, in that,

⁷ SVGA (2006) – Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 – Schedule 4

⁸ Disclosure and Barring Service

the participants are drawn from regulated activity⁹ settings (schools and youth groups); however, the TT event is not in itself a regulated activity. TT does, however, require young people to be supervised on consecutive overnight camps and does therefore comply with the requirements of SVGA (2006), Schedule 4, Para 10(2).

3.4 TT adult enablers in certain roles will be required to comply with vetting and screening procedures as follows:

Category	Role	Self-Declaration ¹⁰	DBS Check (Type)	Accountable Body
Administrative Role	No direct responsibility to support participants e.g., PIRB Gp ¹¹ , CM Gp, C2 Gp, TCM Gp, & SFP Gp	Not required	Not required	CoC
Operational Supporting role	HQ staff	Not required	Not required	CoC
	Ops Room Staff	Not required	Not required	CoC
	Communications and Public Information Staff	Not required	Not required	CoC
	JCSystems	Not required	Not required	Stipulated in Contract
	MSG	Not required	Not required	CoC
Operational Delivery Role	Scrutineers and ECMs	Declaration of any relevant criminal conviction ¹²	If holder has an extant ¹³ DBS check, this will be accepted	CoC
	SJA	As per contract requirements	Enhanced with Barred Lists	Stipulated in Contract
	TTC/JC Tor Parties - Do not work with participants in an unsupervised capacity	Notify personnel that TT organisers must be informed of any relevant criminal conviction ¹⁴	Not required	RNLO/RAFLO
	Withdrawal staff ¹⁵	Not required	Not required	
	DRG – Do not work with participants in an unsupervised capacity	Where an extant DBS is not available – Self-Declaration of any relevant criminal conviction ¹⁶	If holder has an extant ¹⁷ DBS check, this will be accepted.	MoU to stipulate Trustees from respective DRG teams to verify either DBS or self-declaration has been completed.
	D&C 4x4 – Does not work with participants in an unsupervised capacity	Where an extant DBS is not available – Self-Declaration of any relevant criminal conviction ¹⁸	If holder has an extant ¹⁹ DBS check, this will be accepted.	MoU to stipulate Trustees from respective D&C 4x4 teams to verify either DBS or self-declaration has been completed.

⁹ Regulated Activity in relation to children: scope. Factual note by HM Government

¹⁰ Form template is at Annex C.

¹¹ PIRB Gp comprise the CTT staff, who are DBS checked and must maintain vigilance as persons in a position of trust.

¹² A relevant criminal conviction includes – murder, violence, bodily harm, sexual offending.

¹³ Extant DBS check from a current employer engaged in regulated activity e.g. school, youth group, statutory agency

¹⁴ A relevant criminal conviction includes – murder, violence, bodily harm, sexual offending.

¹⁵ Fall Out staff will be accompanied in their duties by members of the CTT who are DBS checked and trained to work with children.

¹⁶ A relevant criminal conviction includes – murder, violence, bodily harm, sexual offending.

¹⁷ Extant DBS check from a current employer engaged in regulated activity e.g. school, youth group, statutory agency

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CHAPTER 4

PROCEDURES & GOOD PRACTICE

4.0 TT takes place over a weekend; the period of direct responsibility for TT organisers is therefore short. However, given the nature of the Event, likelihood of injury or exhaustion through exposure to testing conditions, there is significant risk that enablers may find themselves accompanying, comforting or caring for young people whilst they are in a temporarily vulnerable state.

4.1 Director TT will, from time to time, issue instructions to all TT enablers for use when responding to allegations of child abuse or concerns about the welfare of participants. The MOD process for dealing with allegations is detailed in JSP 834 (Safeguarding Children); however, specific guidance for TT enablers is attached at Annex A.

4.2 Everyone involved with TT must take any allegation or concern about the welfare of participants seriously and act immediately in accordance with Annex A.

4.3 Those with command responsibility at all levels must be aware of the risks and report allegations of child abuse or concerns about the welfare of participants in accordance with Annex A.

4.4 Immediate actions are at Annex B.

4.5 Commanding Officers of military personnel must ensure that any non-compliance with this TT Safeguarding Policy and procedures is dealt with appropriately.

CHAPTER 5

PHOTOGRAPHY AND SOCIAL MEDIA

5.0 As a condition of entry, parents/guardians give their approval through their sponsoring establishment for suitable and appropriate photographs to be taken and published by official photographers²⁰. However, there are limitations to which this permission extends. The GDPR (Data Protection Act 2018) 2018 specifies the limitations of use, purposes for which such material can be retained and regulations for its safe storage.

5.1 **Official Photographers.** Director TT authorises specific individuals to act on behalf of the Event to take photographs; this includes military photographers, sanctioned civilian photographers and sanctioned supporting organisation photographers (for example Dartmoor Rescue Group, British Red Cross etc).

5.2 **Civilian Media.** Civilian media reports this Event through print, voice, electronic (social) and televised media platforms. These organisations are bound by professional standards. MOD's Media Support Group will liaise with and control access by the civilian media.

5.3 **Sponsoring Establishments.** Team managers, supporters and helpers will inevitably want to photograph their own teams; before during and after the challenges. The nature of this photography is such that it is deemed "official" and therefore permitted, providing that such photographs are not inappropriately used or shared by individuals on private networks and should only be uploaded on to official school or youth group social media or websites.

5.4 **Parents, Family and Friends.** The start, finish and presentations are a focus for parents, family and friends. Inevitably, they attract high levels of photography, which by law, is acceptable²¹.

5.5 **TT Enablers.** TT enablers should not photograph participants other than where immediately transmissible images will aid the conduct of young people to safety or to assist immediate medical relief. Images taken at TT are subject to GDPR 2018 regulations, which does not permit the retention or use of such photographs on private networks by TT enablers. Participants carry or wear specific markers indicating that their parents /guardians have not agreed to them being photographed.

The reputation of individuals is at risk if complaints are received regarding images or the taking of images. Enablers are to be aware of the risks posed by perceived inappropriate

²⁰ Sponsoring establishments include, but are not restricted to: schools, registered youth groups, scouts, guides, cadet forces, sports clubs and specialist youth groups.

²¹ Taking photographs of a non-specific nature at a public event, where those being photographed cannot reasonably expect privacy, is legal; however, any attempt to publish photographs giving names, addresses or personal information without the express permission of the subjects is illegal. Young people under 18 yrs cannot grant permission for the publication of their image.

photography and must be aware that images uploaded onto social media websites or other network sharing websites also risks the reputation of TT.

5.6 Inappropriate photography. The proliferation of inappropriate images on the internet is such that all adults should be alert to and aware of inappropriate photography; this may include images of young people of a sexual nature, inappropriately dressed, posing sexually, or images focussed on specific body parts. TT enablers should report their concerns immediately, to the TT DSL, in accordance with Annex A.

CHAPTER 6

VULNERABILITY - DO'S AND DON'TS

6.0 This chapter can be circulated as a short summary of good practice for TT enablers to retain whilst at TT. Tor Parties, Fall Out teams, medical and rescue staff are more likely to encounter young people in a vulnerable state and as such must ensure they act within the guidance provided.

6.1 Medical staff are DBS checked by their respective chain of command or sponsor organisation; however, they must remain cognisant of this policy and adhere to the guidance provided.

6.2 Rescue staff may be DBS checked as part of their requirement with their sponsor organisation; however, they must remain cognisant of this policy and adhere to the guidance provided.

6.3 DBS checks are not required on staff who do not have unsupervised or regular contact with children and young people; therefore, all staff must remain cognisant of this policy and adhere to the guidance provided.

6.4 **Good Practice means:**

- Never being alone with participants.
- Always working in an open environment, where possible, avoiding private or unobserved situations and encouraging open communication.
- Treating all young people equally with respect and dignity.
- Always putting the welfare of participants first.
- Maintaining a safe and appropriate distance from young people.
- Being an excellent role model – this includes not smoking or drinking alcohol in the company of participants.

6.5 **Vulnerable means:**

- Young people through cognitive impairment are susceptible to suggestion.
- Young people with physical disabilities are at higher risk.
- Young people can be easily swayed to make inappropriate decisions.
- Young people under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

- Young people previously exposed to harm, including sexual, emotional or physical abuse or neglect.
- Young people who are injured or ill, suffering heat or cold injuries.

6.6 **Code of Conduct**

Do:

- Observe this Ten Tors Safeguarding policy and put into practice this Code of Conduct.
- Act immediately on any allegation, suspicion or concern.
- Treat everyone with respect and provide an example you wish others to follow.
- Plan activities to ensure more than one person is present, or at least within sight or hearing of others.
- Where achievable, plan to have both male and female staff in any group.
- Respect young people's right to privacy.
- Provide access for participants to talk and treat allegations seriously.
- Encourage participants and enablers to challenge attitudes or behaviour that do not meet the standards of this policy.
- Remember that others may misinterpret your actions, no matter how well intended.
- Keep other organisers informed of what you are doing.
- Take allegations of abuse or bullying seriously.
- Encourage a team spirit, get TT participants to help each other with kit, equipment, load carrying or other occasions where touch is likely.
- Remember this code at sensitive moments, such as illness, injury, bullying, bereavement or abuse.

Do not:

- Spend time alone with TT participants.

- Permit or encourage TT participants to consume alcohol or drugs.
- Permit abusive peer activities, e.g. bullying, initiations.
- Participate in physical contact games or horseplay.
- Allow or engage in any forms of inappropriate physical, sexual or verbal contact with TT participants, including contact by text, email or social media.
- Allow the use of inappropriate language or behaviour to go unchallenged.
- Allow yourself to become the focus of inappropriate attention seeking behaviour such as tantrums or crushes.
- Show favouritism to any TT participant.
- Rely on your good name to protect you.
- Over-react or jump to conclusions without checking the facts first.
- Believe it “could never happen to me”.
- Allow or engage in any inappropriate relationships with TT participants, that is a breach of your trust.
- Trivialise abuse or bullying.
- Make inappropriate suggestive remarks or jokes to TT participants.
- Let allegations or suspicions of abuse or bullying go unreported.
- Help or support young people to remove or put on kit or equipment.
- Touch young people, unless absolutely required as part of a medical emergency.

CHAPTER 7

DATA PROTECTION – GDPR COMPLIANCE

7.0 Retaining the details of safeguarding incidents during TT is necessary to aid subsequent investigations; however, not all reported incidents will result in investigatory action by either Service or civilian agencies. Disclosure of recorded details must be in compliance with extant data protection legislation and as such the authority of the TT Director must be sought before information is released, unless this forms part of a statutory children's services or authorised police investigation.

7.1 Incidents are to be recorded on the appropriate Annex A form, appended to this policy, thereafter the details are to be transferred onto an electronic record controlled by SO2 IM. The electronic data base is to be accessible to the following personnel:

- a. Director TT
- b. TT DSL
- c. SO2 IM

7.2 The law dictates that information can be retained, but must be destroyed after a set period of time. Participants in TT are aged 14 – 21 years and records must be retained until the participant attains the age of 21 years. This affords the parents or legal guardians of the young person affected a period until the young person attains 18 years in which to bring a complaint and permits the young person themselves a further 3 years in which to lodge a complaint in their own right. On this basis, the following retention schedules apply:

- a. Paper Records (Annex A) – retained for 7 years, accessible for 2 years, then archived for 5 years.
- b. Electronic records – accessible for 2 years, then archived for 5 years.
- c. All records destroyed after 7 years.

REPORTING CHILD ABUSE

1. It is a legal obligation to report child abuse or suspected child abuse. This procedure is designed to ensure that child abuse is reported in such a way that all those involved are acting with sufficient compassion to support participants and providing enough information to allow investigating authorities²² to adequately protect participants and where appropriate seek successful prosecution of perpetrators. The report must be compiled by the adult to whom a participant discloses or has witnessed or suspects abuse. Reports are not to be made by third parties. All reports are to be submitted to the TT DSL.
2. Whilst the likelihood of disclosure by a participant(s) at TT remains very low, it remains a possibility. TT enablers could, therefore, need to make a disclosure report. The guidance below is designed to help TT enablers deal with a difficult and traumatic situation; one in which there are high degrees of vulnerability for both staff and young people. Working alone in these environments is not recommended and TT enablers should always ensure that a colleague is present within line of sight or earshot if a young person requests to speak privately. TT enablers should always inform participants that conversations, including confidential conversations, are unlikely to remain private and disclosure is a legal requirement.
3. **If a participant confides in you:**
 - a. **Do:**
 - React calmly, ask a colleague to remain within discreet line of sight or earshot.
 - Tell them you will be telling someone in authority.
 - Give them time to say what they want to say without interrupting.
 - Reassure the participant that they were right to tell and that they are not to blame.
 - Keep questions to an absolute minimum to ensure a clear and accurate understanding of what has been said.
 - Inform the participant what you will do next, ie pass the information on.
 - Make a full, written record of what has been said/heard as soon as possible.

²² Investigating authorities include UK police forces, statutory social services or other child protection agencies.

- Ensure the young person is safe from further harm.
- Inform the TT DSL immediately.

Do Not:

- Investigate the disclosure - Make notes when speaking with the participant.
- Report your opinions or feelings, report only facts as presented by the participant.
- Share this information with anyone other than the TT DSL.
- Ask about explicit details and do not ask to see bruises/injuries.
- Do not promise confidentiality, which might not be possible.
- Delay in passing on the information to the TT DSL.

4. If a TT enabler is concerned about a child they should:

- Write down what has happened, what they have been told, using the person's words then sign and date the notes.
- Immediately inform the TT DSL and provide written notes using the format below.
- Ensure that no immediate action is required to protect the young person from further harm.

DO NOT investigate or pass judgement; it is the TT enabler's responsibility to record what they have been told and pass it on.

In an emergency i.e. where any child is at immediate risk of significant harm, TT enablers must contact the Police directly, then inform the TT DSL.

It is NOT a TT enabler's job to substantiate concerns, investigate or pass judgement; they must record what they have been told and pass it on.

If TT enablers are in any doubt, speak directly to the TT DSL.

TT Child Protection Report	
TT Enabler's Details	Name: Appointment: Unit: Contact Numbers: Contact email:
Young Person's Details	Name: Age: Home address: Establishment: Contact Numbers:
What Happened (Disclosure only) The child's account of what has happened and how bruising or other injuries occurred.	Nature of the allegation, including dates and times if disclosed:
What Happened (Abuse suspected, or observation of inappropriate behaviour)	Nature of the allegation, including dates and times if possible:
Other relevant information (facts only).	A description of any visible bruising or other injuries. Also any indirect signs, such as behaviour.
Witnesses	Details of witnesses to the incident(s) if relevant: Name: Address:

	Contact Numbers:
Other Involvement	<p>Has anyone else been consulted, informed?</p> <p>Name:</p> <p>Address:</p> <p>Organisation or establishment (if appropriate):</p> <p>Contact Numbers:</p>
Signatures	<p>Name:</p> <p>Date:</p>
TT DSL	<p>Received Date:</p> <p>Reported to:</p> <p>Actioned by:</p>

The Designated Person (TT DSL) will receive the report and take the appropriate action, this may include contacting the Police, Local Authority Children's Services team, Local Authority Designated Officer, or Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub.

Director TT notes it is not their responsibility to decide whether abuse has taken place or not, this is a decision for the appropriate authority, however they will pass on the information to the relevant body.

Use this space for keeping your own contacts/telephone numbers:

TT DSL – Adelle Taylor

ACSH – Louise Major

TT SO1 – Lt Col Timothy Gilbert

**Annex B to
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ACTIONS ON

The following paragraphs are provided as guidance for immediate responses to a safeguarding incident:

1. Touch - Allegations are made regarding an enabler or other adult inappropriately touching young people:

- a. Ensure the young person(s) involved are removed to a place of safety and are supported and re-assured in the presence of two adults.
- b. Request the presence of the TT DSL to the location, via the Ops room.
- c. Commence the reporting procedure at Annex A.
- d. Where the young person(s) identify the alleged perpetrator, ensure this information is readily available to be passed to the police.
- e. DO NOT intervene to detain or restrain any alleged perpetrator.
- f. Minimise the interaction between the young people and others (ie where possible, limit the use of social media, texting, phoning etc.)
- g. Hand over the incident to the Police, TT DSL or designated representative as early as possible.
- h. Prepare statements to be provided to the police where necessary.

2. Accommodation - Allegations are made regarding an enabler or other adult inappropriately entering or accessing accommodation occupied by young people:

- a. Ensure the young person(s) involved are removed to a place of safety and are supported and re-assured in the presence of two adults.
- b. Request the presence of the TT DSL to the location, via the Ops room.
- c. Commence the reporting procedure at Annex A.
- d. Where the young person(s) identify the alleged perpetrator, ensure this information is readily available to be passed to the police.
- e. DO NOT intervene to detain or restrain any alleged perpetrator.

- f. Minimise the interaction between the young people and others (ie where possible, limit the use of social media, texting, phoning etc.)
- g. Hand over the incident to the Police, TT DSL or designated representative as early as possible.
- h. Prepare statements to be provided to the police where necessary.

3. Violence - Allegations are made regarding an enabler or other adult using violence against young people:

- a. Ensure the young person(s) involved are removed to a place of safety and are supported and re-assured in the presence of two adults.
- b. Request the presence of the TT DSL to the location, via the Ops room.
- c. Request the presence of the medical staff and if necessary commence first response first aid.
- d. Commence the reporting procedure at Annex A.
- e. Where the young person(s) identify the alleged perpetrator, ensure this information is readily available to be passed to the police.
- f. DO NOT intervene to detain or restrain any alleged perpetrator.
- g. Minimise the interaction between the young people and others (ie where possible, limit the use of social media, texting, phoning etc.)
- h. Hand over the incident to the Police, TT DSL or designated representative as early as possible.
- i. Prepare statements to be provided to the police where necessary.

4. Alcohol, drugs or other illegal substances - Allegations are made, or you become aware of young people using alcohol, drugs or other illegal substances:

- a. Ensure the young person(s) involved are removed to a place of safety and are supported and re-assured in the presence of two adults.
- b. Request the presence of the TT DSL to the location, via the Ops room.

- c. Request the presence of the medical staff and if necessary commence first response first aid.
- d. Commence the reporting procedure at Annex A.
- e. Hand over the incident to the Police, TT DSL or designated representative as early as possible.
- f. Prepare statements to be provided to the police where necessary, specifically if you believe or are aware that the substances were supplied by an adult present.

5. Bullying or harassment - Allegations are made, or you become aware of young people bullying or harassing other participants, or adults are seen to be bullying or harassing participants:

- a. Ensure the young person(s) involved are removed to a place of safety and are supported and re-assured in the presence of two adults.
- b. Request the presence of the TT DSL to the location, via the Ops room.
- c. Commence the reporting procedure at Annex A.
- d. Where the incident involves young people only, hand over the incident to the TT DSL or designated representative, who will inform the TM as early as possible.
- e. Where the incident involves adults, prepare statements to be provided to the police where necessary.

**Annex C to
TT Safeguarding Policy
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VOLUNTEER SELF-DECLARATION FORM

Director Ten Tors' principal concern is the safety of the participants, staff and volunteers. We have no appetite to permit unsuitable people into roles where they may carry out activity that is harmful to our participants, staff, volunteers, or those associated with Ten Tors.

We will use the information on this form to assess any risks associated with you taking up or continuing in your role. We assess each declaration on its merits. Answering yes to any of the questions in this declaration does not automatically mean you will be found unsuitable for the role. We ask for your complete honesty when completing this declaration.

FULL NAME			
DATE OF BIRTH			
UNIT/ORGANISATION			
DATE OF COMPLETION OF THIS FORM			
TEN TORs ROLE ²³ :			

I understand that it is necessary for me to declare the information requested below and that the role may involve significant access to or responsibility for Young People at Risk.

1. Have you ever received an 'unspent' conviction/caution/reprimand or final warning for any criminal offences?			
YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Are you a person known to any Social Services department/statutory agency as being an actual or potential risk to Children?			
YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Have you ever been the subject of disciplinary sanction (from any charity or other organisation's governing body) in relation to children?			
YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Are you currently on or have you been on the sex offenders register?			

²³ Roles include – Tor Party, Moor Support Group, Scrutineers, Environmental Compliance Monitors, Dartmoor Rescue Group, Devon & Cornwall 4 x 4.

Please tick the following boxes to confirm you have complied with all the appropriate policies and procedures applicable to this Role:

I confirm I have read and understood the Ten Tors Safeguarding Policy.

[Name] Date]

Consent for us to conduct a DBS check

I give my consent to Director Ten Tors (HQSW) to conduct a Criminal Record (DBS) check if so required (delete as appropriate. [Yes / No]

How we will use your personal data:

The information you have provided on this form will be used by Director Ten Tors to assess your suitability for the role that you are undertaking.

We process the information on this form with your consent. You can withdraw your consent for us to use this information at any time but doing so may affect your ability to take up or continue in the role.

Your information is treated in confidence and is handled with discretion. It is stored securely, whether in paper or electronic form, and is not shared outside of our organisation unless we are legally obliged to do so.

If you are suitable and continue in this role with us, we will keep this declaration for 6 years. If you are unsuccessful in taking up a role with us, for whatever reason, we will keep this **declaration for 1 year. After this time, this declaration will be securely destroyed.**

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By ticking this box, I give my consent to Director Ten Tors to use the information on this form in the ways set out above. []