

Race the Thames

Safeguarding Notice

London Youth Rowing want to make sure that all participants are safe and secure while participating in this event.

Responsibility

LYR has taken steps to safeguard where possible for the Race The Thames virtual event with particular focus on junior participants. LYR insist that juniors (defined as anyone aged 18 and under) who are participating in the event must have a designated adult who is registered with the event as the Team Leader who assumes responsibility for the team and is accountable for overseeing that the juniors are sensible and safe in their approach to the challenge of the event. It is the responsibility of the designated Team Leader/Point of Contact to ensure that there are appropriate safeguards in place to ensure the welfare of young people at all times.

Considerations for the Team Leader

- A parent/guardian should give consent to the Team Leader for all juniors taking part
- All relevant club/school/organisation safeguarding policies should be followed
- All young people taking part in the event should be healthy and have a high enough level of fitness to participate safely
- It will be deemed that consent will have automatically been given by completion of the team and participant registration form for LYR to use footage taken during the “live stream” sessions that form part of the event for publicity and marketing purposes. It is not an obligation to use the live link and those who do not give consent should not participate in the live element of Race The Thames.

You can find LYR’s Safeguarding Policy here: [LYR's Safeguarding Policy](#). Any data shared with LYR as part of reporting a safeguarding concern linked to the event will be kept confidential other than as required to appropriately respond to the concern raised.

Reporting a Concern

If there is anything that you are concerned about regarding safeguarding – whether before, during or after the event – then you should raise your concern with your Team Leader/Point of Contact or the Safeguarding Lead at your organisation. If you feel like that is not possible, please report your concern to an alternative safeguarding team, e.g. your sport’s National Governing Body or local authority.

If you would like to raise a concern to LYR, please use LYR’s online reporting form: [LYR's Safeguarding Report Form](#)

(Please note: you will need access to the internet to submit the online forms.)

It is important that any concerns are reported as soon as possible. If you are concerned that someone is in immediate danger, you should call 999.



Additional Resources

Here are some additional online resources to help guide and advise you on how to promote and partake in this virtual challenge as safely and securely as possible:

NSPCC Online Safety advice:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

NSPCC Resource Library:

<https://the cpsu.org.uk/resource-library/>

NSPCC Child Protection in Sport Unit:

<https://the cpsu.org.uk/help-advice/topics/online-safety/>

Thinkuknow website:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

Childline Online and Mobile Safety:

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/>

Get Safe Online website:

<https://getsafeonline.org/>

National Online Safety website:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/>