

Meeting Adsafe's Safeguarding Requirements



The **local church** has a spiritual, ethical and legal responsibility to protect children and vulnerable adults in its faith community.

The Adsafe Child & Vulnerable Persons Protection Policy indicates that certain church officers should complete Adsafe requirements. These officers are:

- Persons working/volunteering in child-related roles
- Elders
- Church Board members – regardless of position held

The Adsafe requirements are:

- Cleared Working With Children Check (or equivalent) – check with your State/Territory local child protection entity for details
- Completion of the Adsafe Safer Churches Awareness Training – via the Adsafe e-learning portal (link below)
- Signing of the Adsafe Code of Conduct - via the Adsafe e-learning portal (link below)

The Adsafe e-learning portal is at: <https://elearning.adsafe.org.au>

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10 Child Safe Standards

The National Principles for Child Safe Organisations (the National Principles) set out a nationally consistent approach to promoting a culture of child safety and wellbeing within organisations. The principles give effect to the child safe standards that were recommended by the Royal Commission and bring attention to general child safety and wellbeing issues.



STANDARD 1

Child safety is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture



STANDARD 3

Families and communities are informed and involved



STANDARD 2

Children participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously

STANDARD 4

Equity is upheld and diverse needs are taken into account



STANDARD 5

People working with children are suitable and supported



STANDARD 6

Processes to respond to complaints of child abuse are child focused



STANDARD 7

Staff are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children safe through continual education and training



STANDARD 8

Physical and online environments minimise the opportunity for abuse to occur



STANDARD 9

Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is continuously reviewed and improved



STANDARD 10

Policies and procedures document how the organisation is child safe