

Meeting Safeguarding Requirements



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

The *Adventist Church Child & Vulnerable Persons Protection Policy* emphasises that certain church officers should complete safeguarding requirements. These officers are:

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

The safeguarding requirements are:

- Cleared Working with Children Check (or equivalent) as relevant to your local jurisdiction
- Completion of the Awareness Training – via the Adsafes eLearning portal (link below) or a live Zoom session delivered by Adsafes
- Signing of the Child and Vulnerable Adult Code of Conduct – via the Adsafes eLearning portal

Opening hours (Sydney time zone)

Monday–Thursday 9:00am – 5:00pm

Friday 9:00am – 12:30pm

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"He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?" –Micah 6:8



National Principles for Child Safe Organisations

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Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture.

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Processes to respond to complaints and concerns are child focused.

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Children and young people are informed about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.

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Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.

3

Families and communities are informed, and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.

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Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.

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Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice.

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Implementation of the national child safe principles is regularly reviewed and improved.

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People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice.

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Policies and procedures document how the organisation is safe for children and young people.



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