

Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Officiating GuidanceUpdated March 2022

Introduction

The Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) is a recruitment tool that helps assess suitability for those working with young people (under 18's).

The Government has set criteria to determine who is eligible for a DBS check and have a definition of 'regulated activity' to assist. The new guidance introduces consistent safeguarding and vetting requirements for all those working with young people, whether they are in a paid or voluntary capacity.

Activity that involves: Teaching, training, instructing, caring for or supervising children: Providing guidance / advice on wellbeing Driving a vehicle only for children And Happens frequently (once a week or more) Or Happens intensively (on 4 or more days in a 30-day period or overnight) Yes Is the role unsupervised? Yes Enhanced DBS check required Enhanced DBS required. **AND** Barred list check NOT Barred list check required required ('Regulated Activity')

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England Hockey's (EH) guidance is therefore:

That EH deem to following roles to require a DBS check:

- 1. An **umpire manager, umpire mentor, umpire coach** or **umpire assessor** working with **U18 umpires** at a tournament if they meet the frequent or intensive definition.
- 2. An **umpire mentor**, **umpire coach or umpire assessor** working every week **with U18 umpires** will be required to undertake a DBS and barred list check.
- 3. A Tournament Director (TD) working with U18 Technical Officers (TOs) or Judges at a tournament that meets the frequent or intensive definition.
- 4. An **umpire who regularly umpires games involving young people** that meets the frequency or intensive definition.

For more information about safeguarding in Hockey, please consult our <u>safeguarding guidance</u> <u>document</u> and our <u>good practice guidance</u>.

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