

Child Safeguarding & Member Protection Update – August 2022

Season 22-23 Endorsement & Declaration Process Commences

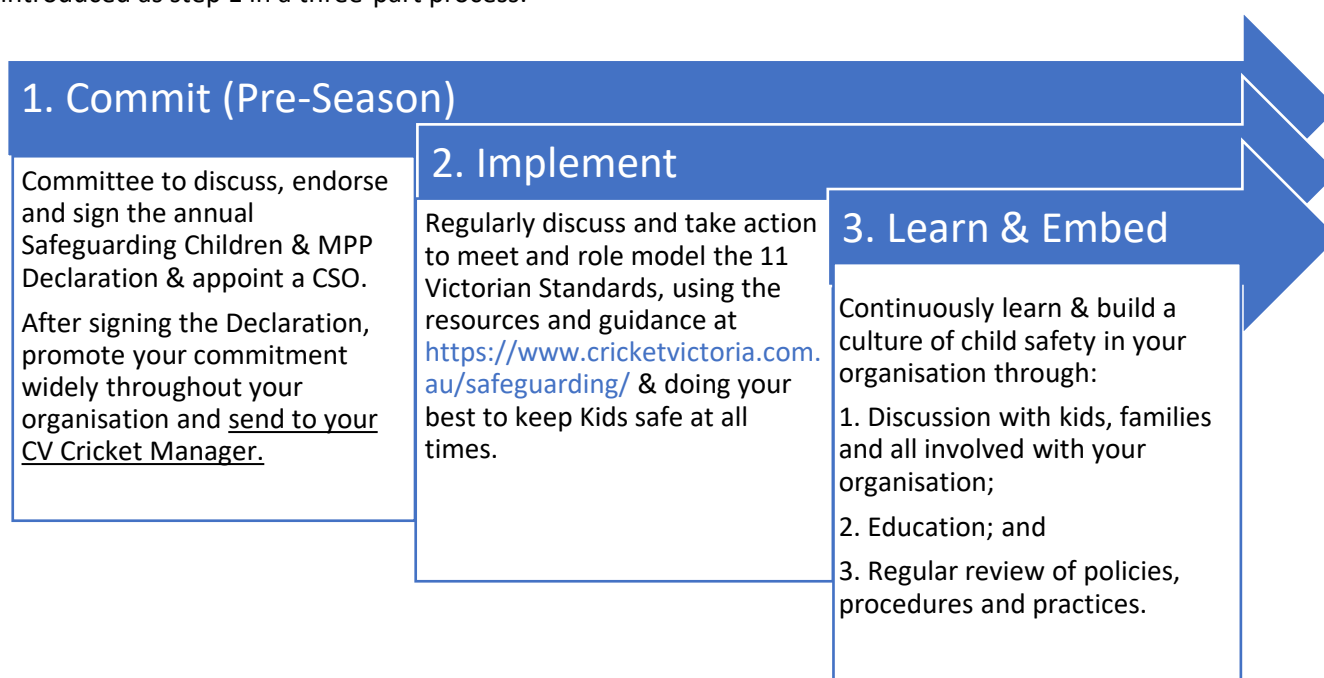
In July, we advised that Cricket Victoria (CV) was working to ensure that our cricket community is supported to meet the new Victorian 11 Child Safe Standards and to help you to create welcoming, safe and inclusive cricket environments in season 2022-23. This includes a new annual [Child Safe and MPP Declaration](#) process that is now ready to undertake before season 2022-23 begins, to simplify baseline compliance for all.

Why is this important?

- We love cricket. We want others to love it and grow our game
- Kids will only keep playing if they feel safe
- Parents will only support cricket if they trust that their kids are safe – safeguarding kids is a drawcard for cricket in the face of increasing sporting competition
- People understand more these days as to what behaviour is acceptable or not acceptable – knowing that protects all of us too
- We have to comply with new Victorian Standards – government audits are occurring in cricket
- Endorsing the Child Safeguarding policies unlocks essential funding
- We DO have concerning behaviour and conduct to address

Cricket Victoria and Cricket Australia have done the work for our cricket community by ensuring that our new 2022 [Australian Cricket Safeguarding Children Framework](#) that has just been endorsed by Cricket Australia and all States and Territories, complies with recently updated legislative requirements. These documents, together with our [Cricket Victoria 2022 Member Protection Policy](#), provide everyone with the critical anchors to have in place to set standards and expectations of behaviour and practices, as well as to guide processes if concerns arise that need to be addressed. Plus we have plenty of helpful new and existing [resources](#) to help you via our new and streamlined [Child Safe and MPP webpages](#).

All Victorian clubs, associations and indoor centres can now complete the new declaration process we have introduced as step 1 in a three-part process:





We have created an [editable PDF Declaration](#) form that can be completed electronically, saved and sent to your CV [Cricket Manager](#). It can also be printed, completed, scanned and sent to your Cricket Manager.

For any questions, please contact your Cricket Manager.