

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Vetting and Barring Scheme Update

The new Vetting and Barring Scheme first phase comes into operation on the 12th October 2009.

As you may be aware this has attracted a great deal of media attention. On the 14th September 2009, the Children's Secretary Ed Balls, announced that it is important to define 'frequent or intensive' contact with children correctly and he has asked Sir Roger Singleton, Chairman of the Independent Safeguarding Authority, to review this and report back by December 2009.

What is happening from the 12th October 2009:

- Continue to use the current CRB Disclosure Application forms
- Use Enhanced CRB checks for anyone working with children and vulnerable adults in regulated activity
- POCA, POVA and List 99 are replaced by the Independent Safeguarding Authority (ISA) 'Children's List and 'Vulnerable Adult's List'
- Standard CRB checks are no longer available for people working with children or vulnerable adults
- The POVAFirst service is renamed the 'ISA Adult First' service
- Your legal obligation to refer any information about individuals who may pose a risk to children and vulnerable adults to the ISA.

We will update our website when we have heard more detail about the terms of reference for the review and the process for the sports sector's views to be communicated; in the meantime, this will not change our processes currently in place.

For further information please visit the ISA Website – <http://www.isa-gov.org.uk/>

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