

T7 – Reference Form for Club Volunteer/ Coach

This template applies to British Canoeing and its Home Nation Associations.

..... has expressed an interest in working with children in Paddlesport and has been asked to send us references.

The role they are interested in involves access to children. As an organisation committed to safeguarding children we are keen to gather references and to know whether you have any concerns about the applicant's involvement with children.

If you are willing to complete the rest of this reference any information you share will be treated in confidence in accordance with relevant legislation.

How long have you known this person?

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In what capacity do you know them?

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Do you think this person is suitable to work with children in Paddlesport?

Yes

No

If yes, could you comment on their skills, ability and relationship with children and young people?

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If no, can you say why?

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How would you rate this person in the following areas (please tick)

	Poor	Good	Excellent	Unable to Comment
Able to stay calm with children and young people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Able to motivate children and young people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Coaching skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Administration ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trustworthiness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reliability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Do you have any other information which would give cause for concern for this person to work with children?

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About you

Do you have a role in children's Paddlesport? If yes, please briefly describe what you do.

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Your name:

Your address

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Thank you

Please return this form marked **CONFIDENTIAL** to:

England: Safeguarding Lead Officer, British Canoeing, National Water Sports Centre, Adbolton Lane, Holme Pierrepont, Nottingham, NG12 2LU or email safeguarding@britishcanoeing.org.uk

Wales: Safeguarding Lead Officer, Canoe Wales, Canolfan Tryweryn, Frongoch, Bala, Gwynedd, LL23 7NU or email childprotection@canoewales.com

Northern Ireland: Child Protection Lead, Canoe Association of Northern Ireland, Belfast Boat Club, 12 Lockview Road, Belfast BT9 5FJ or email safeguarding@cani.org.uk

Scotland: Lead Safeguarding Officer, Scottish Canoe Association, Grandtully Campsite, Grandtully, Pitlochry PH9 0PL or email child.protection@canoescotland.org