



**Tenpin Bowling Association
of Western Australia Inc.**

TBAWA Child Safe Strategy

By implementing the strategies listed below, TBAWA can provide a safer and more enjoyable sporting environment for children.

- TBAWA shall, appoint a child protection (member protection) representative as a first point of contact if a child, parent or other member of the club or association becomes concerned about an incident.
- TBAWA shall, have the child protection (member protection) representative appropriately trained and their details and role well advertised within the club and association.
- TBAWA shall, adopt or update policies and procedures recommended by the national organisation Tenpin Bowling Australia (TBA).
- TBAWA shall, adopt child safe practices through recruitment and selection practices for paid and voluntary positions. These practices should include job descriptions, interviews, checking references and where appropriate, conducting police checks.
- TBAWA shall, promote the policy and procedures to all members, particularly coaches, and make them easily accessible.
- TBAWA shall, ensure that the association meets all relevant state child protection legislative requirements.
- TBAWA shall, ensure that teams travelling into states / territories with specific child protection legislation are also aware of the requirements under the legislation.
- TBAWA shall, respond to suspected, allegations and complaints of child abuse. Where there is an incident of suspected child abuse, the child protection representative for the club or association should immediately make contact with the association president and / or the relevant authorities.
- TBAWA shall, ensure there is no harassment and victimisation of the child or the person who made the allegation on behalf of the child.
- TBAWA shall, use accredited coaches and officials and check that their accreditation is current.
- TBAWA shall, provide information to coaches and others working with children about how to recognise child abuse and give them directions on what to do if abuse is reported or suspected.
- TBAWA shall, conduct an education and training program to increase awareness of child abuse.

