# **DBS Applications via WGS**

Club Welfare Officer Training Guide (June 2020)

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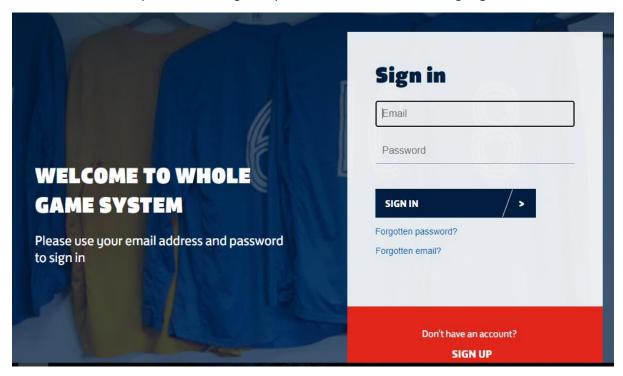
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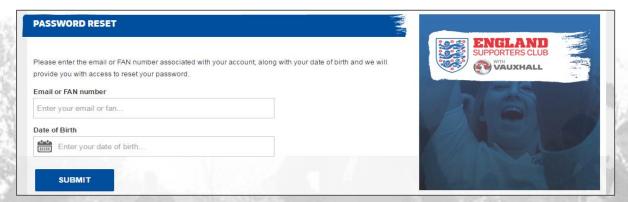
### **SECTION ONE**

### **ACCESSING AND LOGGING INTO WGS**

To access the Whole Game System, please visit <a href="https://wholegame.thefa.com">https://wholegame.thefa.com</a> where you will be asked to enter either your **Email** along with your **Password** before selecting **Login**.



If you are unaware of your password, please select the **Have you forgotten your password?** link. The system will ask you to enter your **Email** or **FAN** along with your **Date of Birth** before clicking **Submit**.



You will receive an email from info@thefa.com which will take you through the reset process

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info@thefa.com TheFA.com Password Reset Request	10:38	Thank you for requesting to reset your password to TheFA.com.

### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

#### What is a FAN?

FAN stands for FA Number. Your FAN is the individual number used to record all football participants, whether they be players, officials, referees, coaches or members of the England Supporters Club.

### Do I have to have a FAN to access Whole Game System?

Yes, you will need your FAN to access WGS as it is this number that records the role or roles you have in football.

#### Can an Individual have more than one FAN?

Ideally not, and you should avoid creating duplicate records. Should you come across a participant with more than one FAN record, please contact your County FA who will merge the multiple records (this is known as de-duplication, or de-dupe).

### How do I find out my FAN?

If you have forgotten your FAN please contact your club secretary or County FA who will be able to advise you of your FAN.

### Can I retrieve my password if my email address isn't on my FAN record?

No. The retrieve password function relies on sending an email to email address recorded in WGS. If your current email address is not recorded against your FAN, you will need to contact your County FA who will verify your identity and add your email to the FAN.

### What do I do if the retrieve password email does not arrive?

First of all, please check your spam folder in case your email system has filed it as spam. If it has not, and you have recently changed your email address, please check your old email account. Should the email not have arrived please contact your local County FA who will be able to check your FAN record to see whether the correct email address is assigned to it.

# SECTION TWO KEY STEPS TO NEW PROCESS

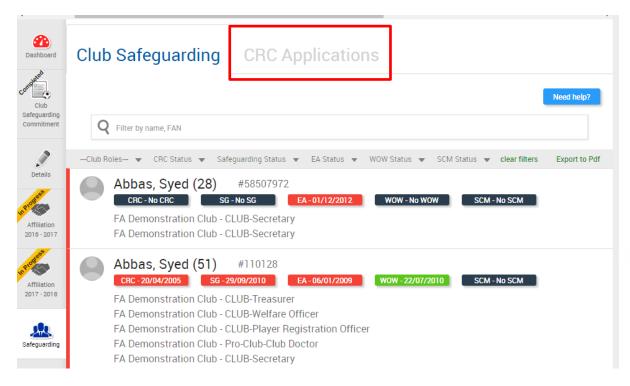
- WGS Opened for DBS Applications by County FA
- Club adds GB Group PIN to account in WGS
- Club adds individual to role of Club-DBS Applicant
- Individual has My DBS tile in Portal
- Individual initiates DBS check from Portal
- Account PIN, FAN and contact details sent to GB Group
- GB Group and Online Disclosures follow normal process
- Updates sent to WGS as application proceeds
- DBS Update automatically if Disclosure Complete Clear

Training will be provided to Clubs by their County Football Association, with support from the FA, to ensure Clubs are fully conversant with the new process prior to being set live to use this.



# SECTION THREE ADDING GBG PIN TO WGS PORTAL

Once the Club has logged into the Portal, the Club will need to navigate to the Safeguarding Tile down the left side of the screen, and the screen below will appear.



Highlighted at the top of the screen is the new DBS Applications Tab which is where the new process will commence for Clubs.



Once the Club has clicked on this Tab, the screen above will appear. You will be required to add your GBG Pin and update, which the Club will know from using the GBG Site. If you have two or more sections to your Club, this PIN must be the one for that section, i.e. ABC Youth - 112233, ABC Colts - 45566, so this matches current information on GB Group site.

Should you not know your PIN, please contact your County Designated Safeguarding Officer or GBG to obtain this, although it will be available in GBG if you have access to log in.

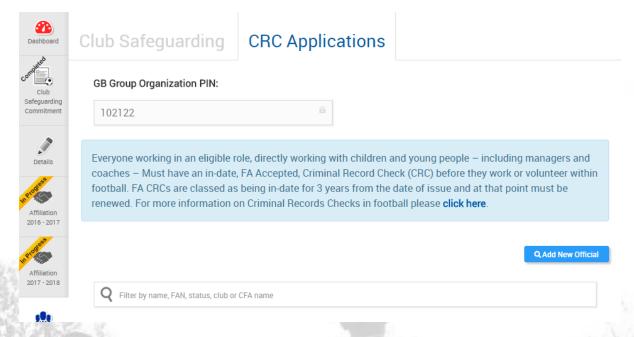
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### ADDING INDIVIDUAL TO THE ROLE OF DBS APPLICANT

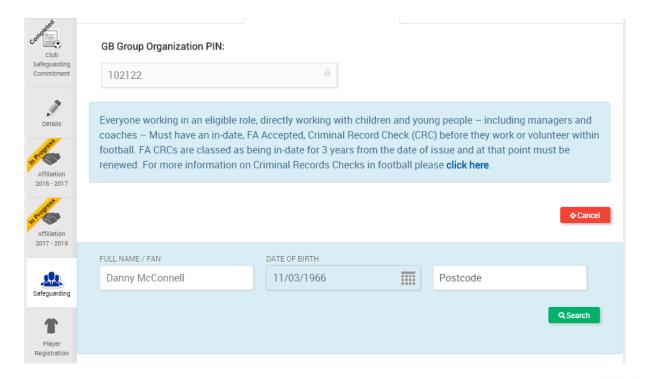
It is here you will add new DBS Applicants to your Club who do not currently hold a valid in date DBS. This is only for any new Managers, Coaches, or Assistant Managers & Coaches who do not hold a valid in date DBS as required.

Any new Managers, Coaches, Assistant Managers & Coaches who hold the correct qualifications, will need to be added in the normal manner under your Team Officials Tile to the correct team.

Once your pin is entered, and you are ready to proceed with your applications via the new method you will see the screen below which allows you to add new applicants.



You will see this allows you to "Add New Official" similar to your Club Officials and Team Officials pages, and will require standard information to search for the said person, to see if they have a FAN.



When entering details of the person you are looking to find, once you click search you will see details such as below.

FULL NAME / FAN DATE OF BIRTH		DATE OF BIRTH			
Danny McConnell		11/03/1966		Postcode	
					Q Search
Danny Mcconnell (51) Current Clubs: FA Demonstration Club UCL Academicals Previous Clubs:			demicals	+ Add O	fficial

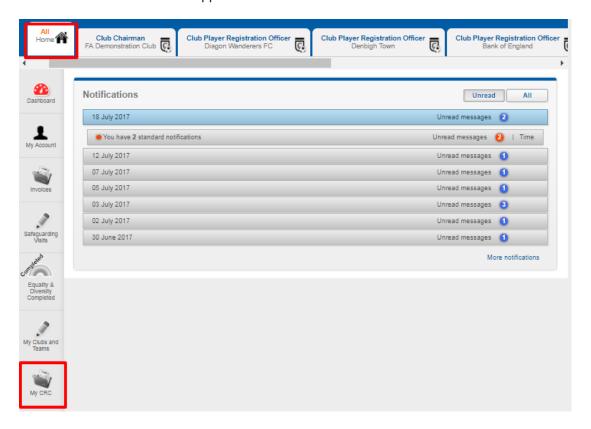
If you click on the "Add Official" button, this will add the individual to your DBS Applicants list, in order for a DBS Application to be undertaken. It will also show the individual as not started.

	Q Add New Official
Q Filter by name, FAN, status, club or CFA name	
McConnell, Danny (51) #110128	Not started

At this stage, it is important you ensure that the personal details of the individual are up to date, and that their FAN shows correct names. If the FAN Record name requires amending, please contact your County FA who can update this, and also show a "Known As" if birth name is different to that the individual is known as day to day.

# SECTION FIVE INDIVIDUALS PORTAL DBS TILE

It is here the individual will see their ability to apply for their DBS, and to the Club who has added them in their Portal as a DBS Applicant.



Once the individual has logged into their Portal, they will see the screen above, and the new "My DBS" tile which will be available.

If they navigate to this button and click, the following screen will appear.



At the time they have been added by their Club Welfare Officer, or other Club Officer with the relevant access, the individual will see a change in screen to below. This will allow them the ability to select the Club to which they will be applying for their DBS. In most cases, as the person will be a new applicant, it will only show one Club. If however the individual will be volunteering at more than one Club, the option may arise to select one of two/three.

### My CRC

Everyone working in an eligible role, directly working with children and young people – including managers and coaches – Must have an in-date, FA Accepted, Criminal Record Check (CRC) before they work or volunteer within football. FA CRCs are classed as being in-date for 3 years from the date of issue and at that point must be renewed. For more information on Criminal Records Checks in football please **click here**.

CRC Award Date: 20/04/2014 CRC Status: Accepted CRC Expiry Date: 20/04/2017

### **CRC Renewal**

You may now start a new CRC check - please select the account you wish to use

### FA Demonstration Club



At this stage of the process once selected, an automated email sent to DBS Applicant via their email address which must be on their FAN to enable their log in to the WGS Portal.

- DBS applicant logs into GB Group (within automated email)
- DBS applicant provides details as normal in GBG
- DBS applicant submits DBS for verification
- Club verifier logs into GB Group and provides verification see below
- GB Group submit DBS check to DBS
- Changes in application status are reflected in WGS now, as the application was commenced in the WGS Portal

IMPORTANT: Once the DBS is submitted for verification, the Club Welfare Officer will need to login to GBG as normal, to verify the relevant documentation, in order to process the DBS for approval.

### **SECTION SIX**

### **HOW TO FIND UPDATES ON DBS APPLICATIONS**

If the Club revert to their Safeguarding Tile in the Portal, and navigate to the DBS Application Tab, you will see now the status of the DBS Application will change depending on where you are in the process. Initially it will be In Progress, which means the individual is inputting their details via GBG. Once this is done, it will amend to ID Verification Required when the applicant requires you to verify their documents. Once the verification of documents is completed it will show Application in Progress. Finally, if no issue with the application and the DBS is processed as Clear, it will show Application Complete and shortly afterward update the individual FAN Record.

