The LFA continues to be committed to ensure all necessary steps are taken to protect children and young people who participate in grassroots football from harm. It is vital that all youth teams must ensure that all safeguarding requirements are met for their application to be accepted and approved.

LFA Affiliation Requirements 21/22 Season	Club Officials (Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer)	Club Welfare Officer	Team Officials (Managers, coaches, volunteers who have an active role with U18s)
FA DBS Check	Not required unless you hold a team official role also.	✓	
FA Safeguarding Children Course (or online recertification to renew)	Recommended		Recommended
Safeguarding for Committee Members	✓	✓	Optional
Safeguarding Adults Online Qualification	Recommended	Recommended	Recommended

There is also a Lincolnshire FA requirement for a club to provide their *Safeguarding Children Policy for Youth Teams* at the point of affiliation. This can be uploaded along with your insurance policies through your Whole Game System. Please

ensure that your policy is a recently reviewed version and falls inline with The FA's and Lincolnshire FA's safeguarding policies. A template can be found at https://www.thefa.com/football-rules-governance/safeguarding/section-11-the-complete-downloads-directory

For access to the required courses as set out in the table above please use the following links.

Safeguarding Children Course – https://thebootroom.thefa.com/learning/qualifications/fa-safeguarding-children-workshop

Safeguarding Children Recertification – https://thebootroom.thefa.com/learning/qualifications/online-safeguarding-children-re-certification

 $Welfare\ Officer\ Workshop\ -\ \underline{https://thebootroom.thefa.com/learning/qualifications/fa-welfare-officers-workshop\#available-dates}$

Safeguarding Adults - https://falearning.thefa.com/enrol/index.php?id=31