#### Safeguarding Statement



# Kaze Chikara Karate

Kaze Chikara Karate Club acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance, best practice, and complies with KUGB guidelines.

The policy recognises that the welfare and interests of children are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, ability or disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation, socio-economic background, all children:

- Have a positive and enjoyable experience of karate in a safe environment.
- Are protected from abuse whilst participating in karate or while attending class.

The club acknowledges that some children, including disabled children and young people or those from ethnic minority communities, can be particularly vulnerable to abuse and we accept the responsibility to take reasonable and appropriate steps to ensure their welfare.

As part of our safeguarding policy, the club will:

- Promote and prioritise the safety and well-being of children and young people.
- Value, listen to and respect children.
- Adopt safeguarding best practice through our policies, procedures and code of conduct for staff and volunteers.
- Ensure everyone understands their roles and responsibilities in respect of safeguarding, and is provided with appropriate learning opportunities to recognise, identify and respond to signs of abuse, neglect and other safeguarding concerns relating to children and young people.
- Ensure appropriate action is taken in event of incidents / concerns of abuse and provide support to the individual(s) who raise or disclose the concern.
- Ensure that confidential, detailed and accurate records of all safeguarding concerns are maintained and securely stored.
- Ensure robust safeguarding arrangements and procedures are in operation.
- Record and store information securely, in line with data protection legislation and guidance.
- Develop and implement an effective online safety policy and related procedures.
- Share information about safeguarding and good practice with children and their parents via leaflets, posters, group work and one-to-one discussions.
- Make sure that children, young people and their parents know where to go for help if they
  have a concern.

The policy and procedures will be widely promoted and are mandatory for everyone involved in the club. Failure to comply with the policy and procedures will be addressed without delay and may ultimately result in dismissal / exclusion from the club.

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#### **Monitoring**

The policy will be reviewed a year after development and then every three years, or in the following circumstances:

- Changes in legislation and / or government guidance
- As required by the Local Safeguarding Children Board, UK Sport and / or Home Country Sports Councils, or the KUGB
- As a result of any other significant change or event.

This policy was last reviewed on 20/05/2022

Signed

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In a safeguarding emergency, where a young person is at immediate risk of harm, call 999.

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