

LEGISLATIVE LANDSCAPE MAP



The legislative requirements for sports, leagues, associations and clubs differ across each jurisdiction. The following graphic provides a snapshot of which laws apply in each State and Territory.

LEGISLATIONS	LEGISLATED	NOT YET LEGISLATED	CURRENT STATUS AS OF JUNE 2022
CHILD SAFE STANDARDS	STATE/TERRITORY SPECIFIC NSW VIC	NATIONAL PRINCIPLES ENDORSEMENT ACT QLD NT SA TAS WA	VIC New standards commencing 1 July 2022 NSW New Child Safe Scheme commenced 1 February 2022
MANDATORY REPORTING	SPORT PERSONNEL INCLUDED NT SA	SPORT PERSONNEL EXCLUDED ACT QLD NSW TAS VIC WA	Although many people working and volunteering in sporting organisations may not be mandatory reporters, it is important that staff and volunteers consider the importance of protecting children and young people from abuse and neglect.
WWCC (OR EQUIVALENT)	SPORTS COACHES ACT QLD NSW NT SA TAS VIC WA	EXEMPTIONS NSW SA TAS VIC WA	QLD Working/volunteering < 7 days per calendar year NSW NSW or Federal Police, Parent Volunteer with their child SA Police, Parent Volunteer with their child TAS Police/Correctional Officer, Close relatives of the child, working/volunteering < 7 days per calendar year VIC Teachers, Police, Parent Volunteer with their child WA Parent Volunteer with their child
FAILURE TO DISCLOSE	YES ACT QLD NSW SA TAS VIC	NO NT WA	If you have a reasonable belief that a sexual offence has been committed by an adult against a child, there is a legal requirement to report that belief to the authorities.
FAILURE TO PROTECT	YES ACT QLD NSW NT SA VIC WA	NO TAS	Requires a person in authority to act if they know that there is a substantial risk that a child may become the victim of a sexual offence.
GROOMING OFFENCE	YES ACT QLD NSW NT SA TAS VIC WA	NO	Predatory conduct undertaken to prepare a child for sexual activity at a later time.
ORGANISATION LIABILITY	YES ACT QLD NSW NT SA TAS VIC WA	NO	There is a clear legal duty placed on organisations to take reasonable steps to minimise the risk of child abuse, perpetrated by organisational representatives. Onus is on the organisation to prove that it took reasonable precautions to prevent the abuse.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The child safeguarding landscape can change rapidly. We suggest signing up to your State or Territory Children's Commissioner or Guardian's communication to get up to date information in your jurisdiction.