

E-Safety Statement

Online safety forms a fundamental part of any educational and childcare facilities safeguarding and child protection measures. YMCA Humber aligns online safety across all aspects of the association ensuring employees and parents or guardians can help children keep safe whilst online.

YMCA Humber have a dual responsibility when it comes to online safety, ensuring organisational online procedures keep children and young people safe, whilst teaching them about online safety, both inside and outside of our Youth provision. We foster an open environment in which children and young people are encouraged to ask any questions and participate in an ongoing conversation about the benefits and risks of the online world.

YMCA Humber have committed to:

- creating e-safety policies and procedures that will help mitigate risk and respond to concerns.
- Ensuring employees have the knowledge to teach children about e-safety.
- supporting parents and guardians by sharing helpful advice and resources.
- reviewing and updating e-safety provisions on an ongoing basis to meet best practice.

YMCA Humber have implemented robust IT infrastructure and data protection practices by:

- using a firewall and robust antivirus software within all electronic devices.
- using a recognised internet service provider.
- using encrypted and password protected Wi-Fi networks across all areas.
- actively monitoring and filtering any inappropriate websites or content.
- managing data in compliance with the [Data Protection Act 2018](#).

E-safety forms an integral part of YMCA Humber's Data Security and GDPR policy, with the addition of the formal statement provided to service users who access our service, all of which are readily available via our website and policy channels. E safety will apply not only to internal IT systems but any devices with the capacity to connect to the internet and transfer data, such as internet-connected toys, tablets, smart TVs and watches, phones, laptops and computers.

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