



LEGAL & GUIDANCE REFERENCE REGISTER

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A practical reference register for the Commission, affiliated/associated clubs, instructors, assistants, volunteers, officials and event organisers.

Document status	Controlled UKTKDC reference document
Primary purpose	Identify legislation, statutory guidance and recognised good-practice sources relevant to martial-arts governance and club operation.
Important limitation	This register is a governance aid, not legal advice. Applicability depends on legal structure, activities, employment status, premises and UK jurisdiction.
Review trigger	At least annually and whenever legislation, statutory guidance, regulator guidance, safeguarding arrangements or UKTKDC policies materially change.

1. How to use this register

This register is designed to sit behind the UKTKDC policy suite. It identifies the principal legal and guidance sources that may affect a Taekwondo Commission, club, instructor, assistant, volunteer, official or event organiser.

Entries are deliberately separated into LAW, STATUTORY GUIDANCE, REGULATORY/SECTOR GUIDANCE and UKTKDC INTERNAL STANDARDS. A guidance document is not automatically law; however, statutory guidance may carry legal significance and should be followed unless there is a good reason not to.

Because the UK has devolved legal systems, a reference may apply differently in England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. Clubs must identify the jurisdiction in which the relevant activity or premises takes place and use the correct local framework.

DBS and safeguarding entries are especially important: the level of criminal-record check depends on the actual role and its duties. A DBS check is one part of safer recruitment and does not, by itself, demonstrate that a club is safe.

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3. UKTKDC legal and governance principles

Safety first	Participant welfare and safety take priority over performance, grading, competition, convenience or reputation.
Proportionate independence	UKTKDC does not treat affiliation to an external NGB as a substitute for legal compliance, competent instruction, safeguarding, insurance, risk assessment or good governance.
Evidence, not assumptions	Policies and decisions should be supported by current law, applicable guidance, documented risk assessment and reliable evidence.
Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility	Any person who sees, hears or receives a safeguarding concern must act promptly in accordance with the safeguarding procedure.
DBS is not a safety guarantee	A DBS check is role-dependent and is only one component of safer recruitment and ongoing safeguarding.
Fairness and natural justice	Complaints and disciplinary decisions must be impartial, proportionate, evidence-based and transparent about the process and reasons.
Transparency and accountability	Financial, grading, membership, disciplinary and governance decisions should be recorded sufficiently to explain what was decided, why and by whom.
Data minimisation	Only collect, use, retain and share personal information for lawful and appropriate purposes, with additional care for safeguarding, health and criminal-offence information.

2026 update note: Working Together to Safeguard Children 2026 was published on 18 March 2026 for England. Current DBS sport guidance was updated 1 September 2026. These changes should be reflected in UKTKDC safeguarding and safer-recruitment reviews.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 1–4

H&S-01 | Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK (with devolved enforcement arrangements)
Why it matters	Core health, safety and welfare duties; safe systems of work; information, instruction, training and supervision; duties to employees and others affected by the undertaking.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain proportionate H&S arrangements, competent supervision, safe premises/equipment and documented controls.
Review / source	Annual + after significant change/incident • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1974/37

Applies to: All UKTKDC clubs/organisations; especially where people work or premises are controlled.

H&S-02 | Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain
Why it matters	Risk assessment, arrangements, competent assistance, emergency planning and cooperation/coordination duties where applicable.
UKTKDC control expectation	Document suitable and sufficient risk assessments; review after significant change, incident or new hazard.
Review / source	Annual + change-triggered • legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1999/3242

Applies to: Employers and organisations conducting an undertaking in GB.

H&S-03 | Health and Safety (First-Aid) Regulations 1981

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain
Why it matters	Adequate and appropriate first-aid equipment, facilities and personnel for employees; HSE recommends considering non-employees in needs assessment.
UKTKDC control expectation	Complete first-aid needs assessment; maintain kit, trained personnel and emergency arrangements.
Review / source	Annual + change-triggered • hse.gov.uk/firstaid/legislation.htm

Applies to: Clubs with employees/self-employed workers; best practice for all clubs.

H&S-04 | Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 2013 (RIDDOR)

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain
Why it matters	Specified work-related deaths, injuries, diseases and dangerous occurrences must be reported by the responsible person when reporting criteria are met.
UKTKDC control expectation	Assess every serious incident against RIDDOR criteria; retain records; report within statutory timescales where required.
Review / source	After every relevant incident • hse.gov.uk/riddor

Applies to: Responsible persons: employers, self-employed persons and persons in control of premises, as applicable.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 5–8

H&S-05 | Workplace (Health, Safety and Welfare) Regulations 1992

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain
Why it matters	Requirements for workplace conditions including cleanliness, ventilation, temperature, lighting, space, sanitary facilities and safe access/egress.
UKTKDC control expectation	Check venue arrangements and responsibilities with the premises owner/operator.
Review / source	Annual + venue change • legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1992/3004

Applies to: Workplaces in GB, subject to scope/exemptions.

H&S-06 | Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 1992 (as amended 2022)

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain
Why it matters	Where PPE is required, suitable PPE must be selected, provided/maintained and used appropriately; duties were extended to limb (b) workers by 2022 amendments.
UKTKDC control expectation	Identify PPE needs through risk assessment; do not rely on PPE where better controls are reasonably practicable.
Review / source	Annual + change-triggered • legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1992/2966

Applies to: Employers and relevant workers in GB.

H&S-07 | Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain
Why it matters	Avoid hazardous manual handling where reasonably practicable; assess and reduce remaining risk.
UKTKDC control expectation	Use safe storage, handling methods, team lifts and equipment where appropriate.
Review / source	Annual + change-triggered • legislation.gov.uk/uksi/1992/2793

Applies to: Clubs moving mats, equipment, staging or other loads as part of work.

H&S-08 | Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002 (COSHH)

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain
Why it matters	Assessment and control of risks from hazardous substances such as cleaning chemicals, disinfectants and some maintenance products.
UKTKDC control expectation	Keep substances controlled, labelled, stored safely and used according to assessment/manufacture instructions.
Review / source	Annual + product/change-triggered • legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2002/2677

Applies to: Clubs/venues using or storing hazardous substances as part of work.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 9–12

H&S-09 | Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 (as amended)

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • England & Wales
Why it matters	Fire risk assessment and duties of the responsible person for relevant non-domestic premises.
UKTKDC control expectation	Confirm who is the Responsible Person; obtain/verify fire arrangements, evacuation procedures and assembly arrangements.
Review / source	Annual + venue/change-triggered • legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2005/1541

Applies to: Clubs/venue operators in England and Wales, according to control of premises.

H&S-10 | Fire Safety (England) Regulations 2022

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • England
Why it matters	Additional fire safety duties for relevant premises, including specified information/arrangements depending on building type.
UKTKDC control expectation	Coordinate with venue operator and comply with applicable duties.
Review / source	Annual + venue/change-triggered • legislation.gov.uk/ukxi/2022/547

Applies to: Relevant premises in England.

H&S-11 | Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 & Fire Safety (Scotland) Regulations 2006

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Scotland
Why it matters	Scottish fire safety framework for non-domestic premises.
UKTKDC control expectation	Use Scottish fire risk and premises guidance where operating in Scotland.
Review / source	Annual + venue/change-triggered • legislation.gov.uk/asp/2005/5

Applies to: Clubs/venues in Scotland.

H&S-12 | Fire and Rescue Services (Northern Ireland) Order 2006 / relevant NI fire safety legislation

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Northern Ireland
Why it matters	Northern Ireland fire safety duties for relevant non-domestic premises.
UKTKDC control expectation	Confirm premises-specific fire safety duties and responsible person arrangements.
Review / source	Annual + venue/change-triggered • legislation.gov.uk/nisi/2006/1254

Applies to: Clubs/venues in Northern Ireland.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 13–16

EQ-01 | Equality Act 2010

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain; specific provisions differ across UK jurisdictions
Why it matters	Protects against unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation; includes protected characteristics and reasonable adjustments for disability in relevant services/employment contexts.
UKTKDC control expectation	Membership, grading, coaching, discipline and access arrangements should be fair, proportionate and non-discriminatory; make reasonable adjustments where legally required.
Review / source	Annual + legal change • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2010/15

Applies to: Clubs, instructors, service providers and employers where applicable.

EQ-02 | Equality Act 2010 – Services and Public Functions / Associations provisions

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain
Why it matters	Specific duties affecting clubs/associations providing services or operating membership arrangements.
UKTKDC control expectation	Review membership criteria, admissions, facilities, discipline and communications for discriminatory effects.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2010/15

Applies to: Clubs and associations depending on legal structure and activities.

SG-01 | Children Act 1989

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • England & Wales
Why it matters	Foundational child welfare framework, including local authority duties and safeguarding concepts.
UKTKDC control expectation	Put child welfare first; cooperate with statutory safeguarding processes where concerns arise.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1989/41

Applies to: Clubs working with children in England/Wales; wider relevance to safeguarding practice.

SG-02 | Children Act 2004

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • England & Wales
Why it matters	Strengthens safeguarding arrangements and inter-agency cooperation; establishes important safeguarding duties/frameworks.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain clear safeguarding governance, referral routes and cooperation arrangements.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2004/31

Applies to: Organisations working with children in England/Wales as relevant.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 17–20

SG-03 | Working Together to Safeguard Children 2026

Classification / jurisdiction	Statutory guidance • England
Why it matters	Current statutory multi-agency safeguarding guidance; explicitly includes sports clubs and organisations; issued under law and expected to be followed unless there is a good reason not to.
UKTKDC control expectation	Align safeguarding policy, reporting, information sharing, leadership and training with the current guidance.
Review / source	At least annual + every update • gov.uk/government/publications/working-together-to-safeguard-children--2

Applies to: UKTKDC clubs/organisations in England working with children.

SG-04 | Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK, with jurisdictional application differences
Why it matters	Framework for regulated activity and barring arrangements.
UKTKDC control expectation	Determine whether each role is eligible for DBS/barred-list checking; never treat DBS status as a substitute for safer recruitment or safeguarding.
Review / source	Annual + role change • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2006/47

Applies to: Organisations using roles that may constitute regulated activity with children/adults.

SG-05 | Protection of Freedoms Act 2012

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Amended safeguarding/DBS and vetting framework, including regulated activity concepts.
UKTKDC control expectation	Use current DBS eligibility guidance rather than assuming every volunteer/instructor needs the same level of check.
Review / source	Annual + DBS update • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2012/9

Applies to: Clubs using DBS checks.

SG-06 | DBS Checks in Sport – Working with Children (updated 1 September 2026)

Classification / jurisdiction	Government guidance • England, Wales, Channel Islands, Isle of Man; Scotland uses Disclosure Scotland; NI uses AccessNI
Why it matters	Current role-based guidance on DBS eligibility in sport; paid/unpaid roles can qualify; eligibility depends on duties and frequency.
UKTKDC control expectation	Assess the actual role and duties; obtain the appropriate check where eligible; record safer-recruitment decisions.
Review / source	Every 6 months + role/DBS law change • gov.uk/government/publications/dbs-guidance-leaflets/dbs-checks-in-sport-working-with-children

Applies to: Coaches, instructors, managers and other roles involving children.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 21–24

SG-07 | DBS Regulated Activity with Children guidance (updated 1 September 2026)

Classification / jurisdiction	Government guidance • UK with jurisdictional service differences
Why it matters	Explains regulated activity and the conditions for Enhanced DBS with Children's Barred List checks.
UKTKDC control expectation	Document regulated-activity assessment for roles; do not overstate DBS eligibility or make unlawful checks.
Review / source	Every 6 months + role change • gov.uk/government/publications/dbs-guidance-leaflets/regulated-activity-with-children

Applies to: Any UKTKDC role involving children.

SG-08 | Safeguarding Code in Martial Arts – Framework

Classification / jurisdiction	Sector guidance • UK / martial arts sector
Why it matters	Good-practice framework covering policy, procedures, safe practice, insurance, welfare officer, recruitment, complaints, training and review/risk assessment; available to independent clubs and instructors.
UKTKDC control expectation	Use as a benchmark for safeguarding maturity and evidence of good practice.
Review / source	Annual • sportengland.org/guidance-and-support/safeguarding/safeguarding-martial-arts

Applies to: All UKTKDC clubs, including independent/non-NGB structures.

SG-09 | Safeguarding guidance for non-traditional sports / independent providers

Classification / jurisdiction	Sector guidance • England-focused Sport England guidance
Why it matters	Confirms safeguarding responsibilities apply regardless of affiliation to an NGB and signposts standards and resources.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain safeguarding systems independent of NGB affiliation; ensure parents know how to raise concerns.
Review / source	Annual • sportengland.org/guidance-and-support/safeguarding/safeguarding-companies-and-non-traditional-sports

Applies to: Independent/non-NGB clubs and instructors.

SG-10 | Sexual Offences Act 2003

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK, with jurisdictional differences
Why it matters	Creates offences concerning sexual activity, abuse of trust and safeguarding of children; also underpins parts of DBS/barred activity framework.
UKTKDC control expectation	Prohibit sexualised conduct, grooming and inappropriate relationships; escalate concerns immediately through safeguarding/statutory routes.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2003/42

Applies to: All adults working with children must understand boundaries; particularly instructors and welfare personnel.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 25–28

SG-11 | Domestic Abuse Act 2021

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Primarily England & Wales; devolved domestic-abuse frameworks also apply
Why it matters	Statutory framework including definition of domestic abuse and safeguarding-related provisions.
UKTKDC control expectation	Have a clear response to disclosures; do not investigate beyond competence; refer to appropriate safeguarding/statutory services.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2021/17

Applies to: Clubs may encounter disclosures or signs involving children/adults.

SG-12 | Care Act 2014 – adult safeguarding

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • England
Why it matters	Adult safeguarding duties and framework for adults with care and support needs.
UKTKDC control expectation	Know local safeguarding adult referral arrangements and apply a person-centred approach.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2014/23

Applies to: Clubs working with vulnerable adults in England.

SG-13 | Mental Capacity Act 2005

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • England & Wales
Why it matters	Legal framework for decision-making where a person may lack capacity; principles include presumption of capacity and best interests.
UKTKDC control expectation	Use appropriate consent/decision-making processes; do not assume incapacity because of disability or age.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2005/9

Applies to: Relevant where decisions about participation/consent involve an adult who may lack capacity.

DP-01 | UK GDPR / retained UK data protection framework

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Core principles for lawful, fair, transparent, purpose-limited, minimised, accurate, secure and accountable processing.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain privacy notice, lawful bases, retention schedule, access/security controls and breach procedure.
Review / source	Annual + ICO update • ico.org.uk/for-organisations/uk-gdpr-guidance-and-resources/

Applies to: Any club/commission processing member, parent, staff or visitor data.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 29–32

DP-02 | Data Protection Act 2018

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	National data protection legislation supplementing UK GDPR and providing specific processing frameworks.
UKTKDC control expectation	Apply DPA 2018 alongside UK GDPR; take particular care with health, criminal-offence and safeguarding information.
Review / source	Annual + legal change • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2018/12

Applies to: All UKTKDC entities processing personal data.

DP-03 | Privacy and Electronic Communications Regulations 2003 (PECR)

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Rules for electronic marketing, cookies/communications and certain privacy matters.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain marketing consent/soft-opt-in records where required and comply with communications/cookie rules.
Review / source	Annual + ICO update • legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2003/2426

Applies to: Clubs/commission using email, SMS, cookies or electronic marketing.

DP-04 | Data protection breach management / ICO guidance

Classification / jurisdiction	Regulatory guidance • UK
Why it matters	Guidance on recognising, containing, documenting and reporting personal-data breaches where required.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain a breach log and escalation process; assess risk promptly and meet applicable reporting deadlines.
Review / source	Annual + after breach • ico.org.uk/for-organisations/uk-gdpr-guidance-and-resources/personal-data-breaches/

Applies to: Any UKTKDC data controller/processor.

CO-01 | Consumer Rights Act 2015

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Consumer rights for services, including reasonable care and skill, conformity with what was agreed, and fair terms/notices.
UKTKDC control expectation	Use clear pricing, cancellation/refund terms and fair contract terms; deliver services with reasonable care and skill.
Review / source	Annual • gov.uk/government/publications/consumer-rights-act-2015

Applies to: Clubs charging consumers for training, gradings, memberships, merchandise or events.

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CO-02 | Digital Markets, Competition and Consumers Act 2024

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Modern consumer protection and competition framework; strengthened enforcement and unfair commercial-practice regime.
UKTKDC control expectation	Ensure claims about qualifications, accreditation, exclusivity, discounts, trials and pricing are accurate and substantiated.
Review / source	Annual + marketing/legal change • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2024/13

Applies to: Clubs/commission marketing services to consumers.

CO-03 | Consumer Protection from Unfair Trading Regulations 2008 / successor framework

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK (transitioned/amended by 2024 reforms)
Why it matters	Controls misleading actions/omissions and unfair commercial practices; much of the framework has been updated by the DMCC Act.
UKTKDC control expectation	Avoid false urgency, misleading comparisons, unsubstantiated superiority claims and hidden conditions.
Review / source	Annual + marketing change • legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2008/1276

Applies to: Consumer-facing marketing and sales.

GOV-01 | A Code for Sports Governance

Classification / jurisdiction	Governance guidance / funding condition • UK-wide sports funding context
Why it matters	Sets governance requirements for organisations seeking/receiving UK Sport/Sport England funding; not a universal legal requirement for every club.
UKTKDC control expectation	Use proportional governance principles: accountability, transparency, inclusion, integrity, welfare and sound decision-making.
Review / source	Annual • uksport.gov.uk/resources/a-code-for-sports-governance

Applies to: UKTKDC only where applicable through funding/contractual requirements; also useful as benchmark.

GOV-02 | UK Sport/Sport England governance principles

Classification / jurisdiction	Guidance • UK sports sector
Why it matters	Promotes transparency, diversity/inclusion, accountability and integrity in funded sport organisations.
UKTKDC control expectation	Keep conflicts of interest, decisions, finances, complaints and delegated authority documented and reviewable.
Review / source	Annual • uksport.gov.uk/resources/a-code-for-sports-governance

Applies to: Commission/club governance as a benchmark.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 37–40

EMP-01 | Employment Rights Act 1996

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain; NI has separate employment legislation
Why it matters	Core employment rights, including written particulars, holiday, dismissal and other employment protections, subject to status and amendments.
UKTKDC control expectation	Determine employment status correctly; document employment arrangements and comply with current employment rights.
Review / source	Annual + employment law update • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1996/18

Applies to: Clubs/commission with employees; not automatically applicable to genuine volunteers.

EMP-02 | National Minimum Wage Act 1998

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Minimum wage framework for qualifying workers, subject to exemptions.
UKTKDC control expectation	Do not label someone a volunteer to avoid wage obligations; assess employment/worker status.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1998/39

Applies to: Clubs paying instructors, assistants, administrators or other workers.

EMP-03 | Worker Protection (Amendment of Equality Act 2010) Act 2023

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • Great Britain
Why it matters	Introduced duties concerning reasonable steps to prevent sexual harassment of employees/workers in relevant contexts.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain anti-harassment policy, reporting route and preventive training appropriate to the organisation.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2023/51

Applies to: Clubs with workers/employees.

FIN-01 | Companies Act 2006

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Corporate governance, accounting, filing and director duties for companies.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain statutory books, filings, accounts and director duties appropriate to company status.
Review / source	Annual + filing cycle • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2006/46

Applies to: UKTKDC entity/club if incorporated as a company.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 41–44

FIN-02 | Charities Act 2022 / Charity Commission requirements

Classification / jurisdiction	Law / regulatory framework • England & Wales (with devolved charity regulators elsewhere)
Why it matters	Charity law and governance framework, including trustee duties and reporting.
UKTKDC control expectation	Apply regulator requirements, trustee duties, financial controls and reporting applicable to status.
Review / source	Annual + regulator update • gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission

Applies to: Only if UKTKDC or a club is a registered charity/charitable incorporated organisation.

CR-01 | Fraud Act 2006

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Offences involving fraud by false representation, failure to disclose and abuse of position.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain segregation of duties, accurate records, approval controls and fraud reporting route.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2006/35

Applies to: All officials handling money, records, memberships, gradings or expenses.

CR-02 | Bribery Act 2010

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Offences relating to bribery and failure by commercial organisations to prevent bribery in relevant circumstances.
UKTKDC control expectation	Maintain conflict/gifts policy and prohibit improper inducements.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2010/23

Applies to: Commission/club officials dealing with suppliers, events, awards or financial decisions.

IP-01 | Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Copyright protection for text, photographs, video, music, training materials and other works.
UKTKDC control expectation	Obtain permissions/licences; do not assume online images are free to use.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1988/48

Applies to: Clubs/commission using third-party media or publishing materials.

4. Detailed reference register — entries 45–48

IP-02 | Trade Marks Act 1994

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Protection and infringement framework for registered trade marks.
UKTKDC control expectation	Protect UKTKDC branding; avoid implying affiliation/accreditation that does not exist.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1994/26

Applies to: UKTKDC name/logo and use of third-party marks.

COM-01 | Defamation Act 2013

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Modern defamation framework affecting published statements.
UKTKDC control expectation	Use factual, proportionate communications; avoid allegations presented as fact without evidence.
Review / source	Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2013/26

Applies to: Officials and members using websites/social media/public statements.

DIG-01 | Online Safety Act 2023

Classification / jurisdiction	Law • UK
Why it matters	Regulates certain online services; direct duties depend on service type and provider status.
UKTKDC control expectation	Moderate online community risks; preserve safeguarding and reporting routes; obtain specialist advice if operating an in-scope service.
Review / source	Annual + regulator update • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2023/50

Applies to: Usually indirect for ordinary club social media pages; potentially relevant if UKTKDC operates an in-scope user-to-user/search service.

EM-01 | Emergency planning / venue emergency arrangements

Classification / jurisdiction	Good practice / contractual • UK-wide
Why it matters	Clubs should have proportionate emergency arrangements for evacuation, serious injury, lost child, missing person, fire and other foreseeable emergencies.
UKTKDC control expectation	Agree venue emergency procedures, contacts, assembly points and responsibilities; brief instructors/assistants.
Review / source	Annual + venue/event change • hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg275.htm

Applies to: All clubs and event organisers.

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RA-01 | HSE Managing for Health and Safety (HSG65)

Classification / jurisdiction

Why it matters

UKTKDC control expectation

Review / source

Guidance • Great Britain

Practical framework for Plan–Do–Check–Act health and safety management.

Use leadership, competence, risk control, monitoring and review to manage safety proportionately.

Annual • hse.gov.uk/pubns/books/hsg65.htm

Applies to: Clubs seeking a structured H&S management approach.

MA-01 | Maladministration / complaints good-practice framework

Classification / jurisdiction

Why it matters

UKTKDC control expectation

Review / source

UKTKDC policy standard • UKTKDC internal

Not a statute: establishes fair, transparent handling of complaints and maladministration, including conflicts, evidence, reasons, records, review/appeal and corrective action.

Use the UKTKDC Complaints & Maladministration Intake Form; distinguish complaint, safeguarding concern, disciplinary matter and operational error.

Annual • UKTKDC Complaints & Maladministration Policy

Applies to: Commission, clubs, officials, instructors and members.

MA-02 | Natural justice / procedural fairness principles

Classification / jurisdiction

Why it matters

UKTKDC control expectation

Review / source

General legal/governance principle • UK-wide

Fair decision-making principles: impartiality, opportunity to be heard, evidence-based findings, reasons and proportionate outcomes.

Declare conflicts; give parties a fair opportunity to respond; keep decisions reasoned and proportionate.

Annual • UKTKDC governance standard

Applies to: Commission and club disciplinary/complaints processes.

LAW-01 | Crime and Policing Act 2026 – safeguarding/DBS changes

Classification / jurisdiction

Why it matters

UKTKDC control expectation

Review / source

Law / implementation-sensitive • UK; commencement and jurisdictional provisions must be checked

2026 legislation includes changes concerning safeguarding vulnerable groups and DBS/barring arrangements.

Track commencement regulations and updated DBS guidance before changing policy or checking practice.

At every DBS/legal update • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2026/20

Applies to: UKTKDC safer-recruitment and safeguarding leads.

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LAW-02 | Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974

Classification / jurisdiction

Why it matters

UKTKDC control expectation

Review / source

Law • UK with jurisdictional differences

Rehabilitation framework for convictions; disclosure rules interact with DBS and exempted roles.

Do not ask for or process conviction information beyond lawful entitlement; use current DBS filtering/exemption rules.

Annual + DBS update • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1974/53

Applies to: Recruitment and suitability decisions.

LAW-03 | Children and Young Persons Act 1933

Classification / jurisdiction

Why it matters

UKTKDC control expectation

Review / source

Law • England & Wales, with amendments

Contains provisions concerning cruelty/neglect and protection of children.

Treat suspected abuse/neglect as a safeguarding issue; refer rather than investigate internally.

Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/Geo5/23-24/12

Applies to: Safeguarding context, particularly where harm or neglect is suspected.

LAW-04 | Public Interest Disclosure Act 1998 (whistleblowing)

Classification / jurisdiction

Why it matters

UKTKDC control expectation

Review / source

Law • UK employment context

Protects qualifying workers making protected disclosures in specified circumstances.

Provide a route for serious wrongdoing concerns to be raised without retaliation, subject to legal scope.

Annual • legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1998/23

Applies to: Clubs/commission with workers and relevant governance arrangements.

LAW-05 | Health and Safety Executive: sports and leisure safety guidance

Classification / jurisdiction

Why it matters

UKTKDC control expectation

Review / source

Guidance • Great Britain

HSE guidance assists risk control; legal duties remain dependent on circumstances and status.

Use risk-based controls for slips/trips, equipment, first aid, manual handling and emergencies.

Annual • hse.gov.uk

Applies to: All clubs operating training/events.

5. Devolved jurisdiction quick-reference

Jurisdiction	Key control point
England	Working Together to Safeguard Children 2026; Fire Safety Order 2005 and Fire Safety (England) Regulations 2022; Care Act 2014 adult safeguarding; DBS guidance.
Wales	Safeguarding is governed by the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014 and Wales-specific safeguarding guidance; fire safety arrangements differ from England; use Wales-specific statutory guidance.
Scotland	Use Scotland-specific safeguarding, adult support and protection and fire-safety law/guidance; criminal-record checking is through Disclosure Scotland rather than DBS.
Northern Ireland	Use Northern Ireland-specific safeguarding and fire-safety frameworks; criminal-record checking is through AccessNI rather than DBS.
Across UK	UK GDPR/Data Protection Act 2018, equality principles where applicable, general criminal law and many UK-wide statutes may apply, but always verify territorial extent and commencement.

6. Minimum document-control routine

- Nominate a policy/legal register owner and deputy.
- Check legislation and statutory guidance at least annually and whenever a material incident, policy change or regulator update occurs.
- Record the date checked, source used, change identified, affected UKTKDC policy and action owner.
- Where a change affects children, safeguarding, DBS, health and safety, data protection, employment or consumer law, prioritise an immediate impact assessment.
- Archive superseded versions rather than overwriting them where they may be needed for audit, complaint or legal purposes.
- Obtain specialist legal advice where the issue involves a serious safeguarding allegation, threatened litigation, complex employment status, significant data breach, criminal allegation, insurance coverage dispute or uncertainty about statutory duties.

7. Key official sources to bookmark

Source	Use	Web address
Legislation.gov.uk	Primary source for UK legislation and statutory instruments.	legislation.gov.uk
GOV.UK / Department for Education	Current safeguarding statutory guidance and DBS guidance.	gov.uk
Disclosure and Barring Service	DBS eligibility, barring and safer recruitment information.	gov.uk/government/organisations/disclosure-and-barring-service
HSE	Health and safety, first aid, risk assessment and RIDDOR guidance.	hse.gov.uk
Information Commissioner's Office	UK GDPR, data protection, electronic marketing and breach guidance.	ico.org.uk
Sport England	Safeguarding Code in Martial Arts and independent/non-traditional sport guidance.	sportengland.org
UK Sport	Code for Sports Governance and governance resources for funded sport.	uksport.gov.uk
Charity Commission	Charity governance, trustee and reporting requirements where applicable.	gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission

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