



## Child Safeguarding Statement

(Prepared in accordance with section 11 of the Children First Act 2015)

### Appendix 1

An Garda Síochána adhere to the following legislation and guideline documents to mitigate this risk to children:

- [United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child](#)
- [European Convention on Human Rights](#)
- [Article 42A of the Constitution of Ireland \(Rights of the Child\)](#)
- [HQ Directive 48/2013 – An Garda Síochána policy on the Investigation of Sexual Crimes, Crimes Against Children and Child Welfare 2013](#)
- [Child Care Act 1991 \(as amended\)](#)
- [Criminal Evidence Act 1992](#)
  - [Good Practice Guidelines 2003](#)
- [Domestic Violence Act 2018](#)
  - [HQ Directive 23/2017 – Domestic Abuse Intervention Policy](#)
- [Refugee Act 1996](#) (specifically Section 8 (5))
- [Child Trafficking and Pornography Act 1998 as amended](#)
- [Children Act 2001](#)
- [Mental Health Act 2001](#) (Section 4 of the Mental Health Act 2001 adheres to Article 3(1) the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.)
  - [Mental Health Commissions Guide – Part 2 Children.](#)
- [Garda Síochána Act 2005](#)
  - [An Garda Síochána Discipline Regulations](#)
- [Criminal Law \(Human Trafficking\) Act 2008](#)
- [National Vetting Bureau \(Children and Vulnerable Persons\) Act 2012](#)
  - [HQ Directive 05/2002 - Est. of Central Vetting Unit](#)
- [Criminal Law \(Human Trafficking\) \(Amendment\) Act 2013](#)
- [Children First Act 2015](#)
  - [Children First National Guidance for the Protection and Welfare of Children 2017](#)
- [International Protection Act 2015](#)
- [Criminal Justice \(Victims of Crime\) Act 2017](#)
  - [HQ Directive 11/2016 – EU Victims Directive](#) – EU Victims Directive (Section 12 EU Victims Directive refers to Restorative Justice)
  - [HQ Directive 90/2015 - The recording of Garda Victim Services in PULSE Release 6.8.](#)
- [An Garda Síochána Victims Charter](#)
- [Criminal Law \(Sexual Offences\) Act 2017](#)

- [Children Missing from Care - Joint Protocol between An Garda Síochána and the Health Service Executive Child and Family Services.](#)
- [Child Rescue Ireland Alert – CRI Alert](#)
- [HQ Directive 90/2015 - The recording of Garda Victim Services in PULSE Release 6.8](#)
- Juvenile Liaison Officers Induction Course, Templemore
- [HQ Directive 47/2012 – An Garda Síochána Use of Force Policy](#)
- [HQ Directive 33/2011 – Recording Procedure and Guidelines relating to Children in Care of An Garda Síochána](#)
- Training in Children First for all Members of the Garda Síochána
- [HQ Directive 137/2009 – National Model of Policing Community](#)
- [Traffic Collision Investigation Manual](#)
- [HQ Directive 111/2007 - Traffic Collisions Investigation and the Roads Policing Manual](#)
- [Guidelines for Improving your Safety against Criminal Threat](#)
- [HQ Directive 137/2009 – National Model of Policing Community](#)
- [HQ Directive 30/2014 – Section 124, Garda Síochána Act, 2005, as amended Garda Síochána \(Confidential Reporting of Corruption or Malpractice\) Regulations, 2007 – Confidential Reporting Charter](#)
- [HQ Directive 56/2019 – ICT Information Security Policy and Procedures](#)
- [Criminal Justice \(Forensic Evidence and DNA Database System\) Act 2014](#)
- [Garda National Protective Services Bureau Portal Page](#)