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Parish Safeguarding – Vetting Requirements

Any person whose work or activity involves access to children or vulnerable adults, whether in a full-time, part-time or voluntary capacity with the Diocese, must be vetted.

You can access the vetting forms and guidance on the Safeguarding page of the website.

Examples of Roles that Typically WILL Require Vetting

- Clergy (Bishops, Priests, Deacons)
- Sacristans
- Parish Safeguarding representatives
- Diocesan DLP/Director of Safeguarding
- Youth Group / Ministry Leaders such as those responsible for youth choirs, parish run youth clubs, Pope John Paul II Award leaders, youth liturgy groups, etc.
- Supervisors of Altar Servers.
- Communion Programme: “Do This In Memory of Me” leaders;
- Confirmation Programme: “You shall be my witnesses” leaders.
- Eucharistic Ministers who have been commissioned to bring the Eucharist to homes, hospitals, care homes and other institutions where there are children and vulnerable adults present.
- Baptismal teams
- Funeral and Bereavement teams.
- All other roles that bring a person into direct contact with children or vulnerable adults through their ministry, work or activity.

Roles that Typically WILL NOT Require Vetting

- Parish secretaries.
- Collectors.
- Car park attendants.
- Those present in the Sacristy who do not have an official role with children or vulnerable adults. (Note: However, these adults should never be left unsupervised with children or vulnerable adults).
- Readers of the Word unless they have a dual role which directly involves contact with children or vulnerable adults.
- Eucharistic Ministers who only distribute the Eucharist within the main body of the church during public Mass or other liturgical celebrations.
- Other roles whose contact with children or vulnerable adults is merely incidental while they are carrying out their ministry, work, activities with those who are not children or vulnerable adults.