Safeguarding policy

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1. **Purpose:** This Policy protects people under 18 and adults at risk who take part in Speedcubing Türkiye events.
2. **Who is responsible:** The Safeguarding Officer is the Chair of the Audit Board; the Audit Board appoints the Deputy Safeguarding Officer (Bylaws Articles 7 and 9). Both names are published on the website.
3. **How to report:** Concerns and complaints are sent to the Safeguarding Officer at safeguarding@speedcubingturkiye.org. Only the Safeguarding Officer and the Deputy read emails sent to this address.
4. **Response time:** The Safeguarding Officer responds to a report within 24 hours at most.
5. **At competitions:** Concerns during a competition are reported to that competition's WCA Delegate. The Delegates and the organizing team are introduced at the opening and are easy to recognize throughout the competition (for example by a badge or T-shirt).
6. **Emergencies:** If a child is in immediate danger, call 112 first, then inform the Safeguarding Officer.
7. **Parental supervision:** Parents, or the adult accompanying them, are responsible for supervising participants under 18 throughout an event (Bylaws Article 9). Parents are reminded of this at registration and in event announcements.
8. **Conduct of Officers:** Officers do not stay alone with a child in a closed space. Communication with children uses open channels or messages that include a parent.
9. **Photos and videos:** Photos and videos of children are used only with the consent given at registration. Photos of those who have not consented are not shared.
10. **Sharing information:** Information is shared with the relevant authorities and the WCA only when a child's safety requires it.
11. **Records:** Every report and the action taken are recorded in a confidential file.
12. **Review:** This Policy is reviewed every year.