

I am a Tower Captain

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- ✓ this requirement is in line with other church volunteers appointed by the PCC

The Suffolk Guild takes its safeguarding responsibilities seriously, believing that all bell-ringers should feel safe and valued in all aspects of bellringing.

Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility. The welfare of a child, young person or an adult at risk is at all times paramount, and takes precedence over all other considerations.

I am a bell-ringer 18yrs +

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- ✓ this requirement is in line with other church volunteers who have designated roles, of which bellringing is one

I am a 'bell-ringer working with children'

- ✓ it is mandatory to complete the Basic Awareness and Foundation online training and refreshed every 3 years <https://www.cofesuffolk.org/safeguarding-training/>
- ✓ must hold a current clear Enhanced DBS Disclosure status, completed online and registering with the DBS Update Service is recommended <https://www.cofesuffolk.org/for-parishes/promoting-a-safer-church/safer-recruitment/>
- ✓ these requirements are in line with other church volunteers who carry out a role working directly with children & young people under 18yrs of age
- ✓ a 'bell-ringer working with children' supervises/teaches children/young people [under 18 yrs] and/or supervises those who carry out this role



Safeguarding Requirements

The Suffolk Guild seeks to support the entire ringing community to develop best practice in safeguarding by:

- developing a relationship with the diocese of St. Edmundsbury & Ipswich in order that bell-ringers and ringing can be properly represented when church policy is formed or revised
- encouraging all bell-ringers to promote a positive safeguarding culture where everyone is treated with respect and dignity
- following the support and guidance provided by appointed CCCBR Safeguarding Officers and the Trustees



- ▶ Log in and view your current safeguarding training certificate status on <https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org>
All information you require is there for you.
- ▶ If you are unable to access online training, contact your local Parish Safeguarding Officer [PSO] to arrange face-to-face training

Remember, on completion of a training course [Basic Awareness/Foundation] ...

- ✓ retain your certificate and make a note of your renew date
- ✓ forward your 'Congratulation on completing a safeguarding training course' email to the Parish Safeguarding Officer [PSO] of where you are currently a band member or if unattached, a tower where you ring on a regular basis the PSO will now be in a position to keep in touch with you

