

Athletes and Team Officials

World Aquatics (AQUA) and the Aquatics Integrity Unit (AQIU) are committed to ensuring safe, abuse-free and respectful environments across all aquatic events.

Anyone registered as an athlete or a team official—including coach, head coach, chef de mission, team leader, support staff, media liaison—for World Aquatics Events must, prior to participation, have successfully completed the eLearning safeguarding course [Safeguarding Essentials \(Course 1\)](#) or a course recognised by the AQIU (Aquatics Integrity Unit) *, prior to participation at the Event. Anyone who has not met this requirement will not be eligible to participate and thus will not have their accreditation activated.

Please refer to the Safeguarding Essentials (Course 1) [Registration Guide](#) to access the course. To receive the certificate, complete the course in full. The course takes approximately 1 hour to complete.

AQIU Recognised Safeguarding Courses*

Please refer to the list of safeguarding education courses recognised by the AQIU [here](#). These certifications are accepted to fulfill the mandatory safeguarding education requirements for all World Aquatics competitions.

The AQIU recognises safeguarding courses offered at national level, provided that the course covers, at a minimum, the core areas included within Safeguarding Essentials (Course 1) and that a nominal certificate of completion is delivered afterwards. Member Federations are invited to reach out to the AQIU should they wish to have a safeguarding course reviewed and recognised.

For any questions regarding safeguarding education requirements please contact the AQIU at info@aquaticsintegrity.com.

Note: More information regarding the submission of safeguarding education certificates for event registration will be communicated soon.