



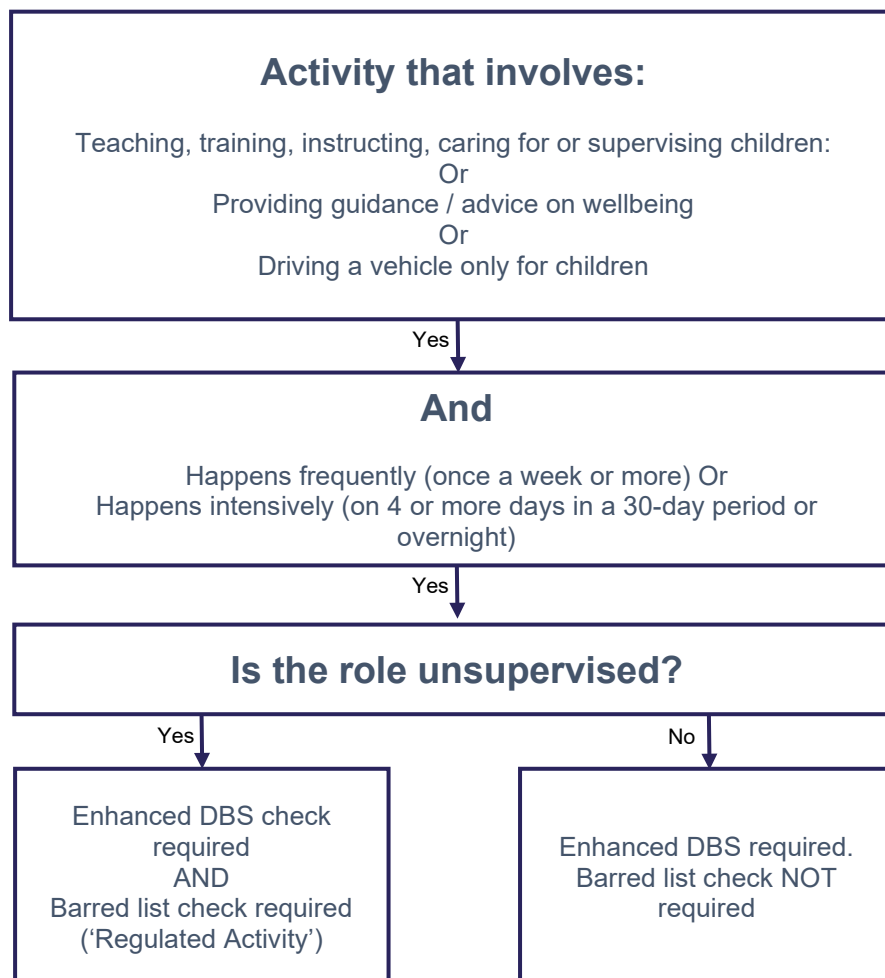
SAFEGUARD

Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Officiating Guidance Updated March 2022

Introduction

The Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) is a recruitment tool that helps assess suitability for those working with young people (under 18's).

The Government has set criteria to determine who is eligible for a DBS check and have a definition of 'regulated activity' to assist. The new guidance introduces consistent safeguarding and vetting requirements for all those working with young people, whether they are in a paid or voluntary capacity.



England Hockey's (EH) guidance is therefore:

That EH deem to following roles to require a DBS check:

1. An **umpire manager, umpire mentor, umpire coach** or **umpire assessor** working with **U18 umpires** at a tournament if they meet the frequent or intensive definition.
2. An **umpire mentor, umpire coach** or **umpire assessor** working every week **with U18 umpires** will be required to undertake a DBS and barred list check.
3. A **Tournament Director (TD) working with U18 Technical Officers (TOs) or Judges** at a tournament that meets the frequent or intensive definition.
4. An **umpire who regularly umpires games involving young people** that meets the frequency or intensive definition.

For more information about safeguarding in Hockey, please consult our [safeguarding guidance document](#) and our [good practice guidance](#).

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