



SECTION	Safeguarding
POLICY	Host Family
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1. Our commitment

Doncaster Rovers Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers, partner agencies and commissioned services to share this commitment.

Where it is unreasonable for an Apprentice to travel to the Club from home, host family accommodation shall be provided by the Club. With regard to the provision of accommodation, the Club will ensure that they are in keeping with those required by a professional sports person.

2. Selection process

1. Advertise for host families
2. Select applications based on location and suitability
3. Visit properties using LFE guidelines and meet providers
4. Property checklist and risk assessments
5. Discuss commitment of taking on scholars, what it entails, food, rules, payment process etc.
6. References and DBS check through the Club
7. Use professional judgement to select Host Family. Process to include:
 - Head of Academy Player Care
 - Head of Academy
 - People and Culture Manager

3. Procedure

To ensure that the process is running smoothly and that the welfare of the scholars is always protected, regular checks are carried out throughout the season with all relevant stakeholders.

1. Six weekly accommodations visits
2. Player check-ins
3. Six weekly parent check-ins