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## EFC SAFEGUARDING COMMISSION – REPORT APRIL, 2026

1. Safeguarding Survey carried out with lower response than expected (22 Federations)
2. Safeguarding Officers assigned for major events
3. Solidarity Programme S/G workshop to be held in North Macedonia – date slipped – new date awaited
4. Joint Safeguarding/Referee Commission training has taken place
5. Safeguarding case management procedures in final round of revision – next step to share with Legal Commission
6. Calendar of education for 2026 prepared – first seminar has taken place on 19 March, with good attendance, with 2 further seminars planned for 19 May and 4 June. In addition, seminar for Federations on setting up S/G policy will take place on 4 May. Additionally it is planned for in person events to be delivered by S/G officers

at major championships

1. It is planned to reach out to Coaches Commission to discuss coach education modules to pilot 1 cohort in 2026 (2 x 90 min modules plus course work)
2. Agreement reached with COMEX for amendment to Handbook re temperature at Championship venues
3. IOC Safeguarding Course starting in 2026 – FIE has offered 2 places (1 male, 1 female) on Course starting in September, 2026. One commission member has already made application through her NOC and this has been confirmed; one commission member is awaiting confirmation from her NOC and if this fails, then she can avail of FIE place. A third Safeguarding Officer (male) is pursuing his application and hopefully will avail of the 2<sup>nd</sup> FIE place.
4. One commission member has resigned due to pressure of work, so the Legal Commission is preparing changes to our Rules in order for us to be able to add another full member to our Commission.

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