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Qualsafe Awards operates in line with the Equality Act 2010 and we believe every Learner undertaking, and Trainers/Assessors delivering, QA qualifications should be able to do so in a safe and happy environment.

It is the responsibility of any Centre delivering QA qualifications to children or vulnerable adults to have effective safeguarding procedures and implement them.

Please note:

- Jobs that involve caring for, supervising or being in sole charge of children or vulnerable adults may require an enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (previously called an enhanced CRB check). If you are in any doubt as to whether the job role in question requires this check, please contact the Disclosure and Barring Service.
- When a Trainer/Assessor is delivering QA qualifications at an organisation such as a school, college or youth organisation, the safeguarding procedures for that organisation should be followed

We recommend QA Approved Centres take the following simple precautions when delivering qualifications to children or vulnerable adults:

- Check the minimum age requirement for any qualification prior to course delivery (please see the qualification specification for details)
- Obtain parental permission for children under the age of 16 before they are permitted to undertake any QA qualification
- Ensure another responsible adult is present at all times throughout course delivery and Learner assessment
- Do not allow one-to-one training or assessing to take place (i.e. where the Trainer/Assessor is left alone with a child or vulnerable adult)
- Ensure that a Reasonable Adjustment Form has been submitted to QA for approval prior to course commencement for any Learner who requires to be accompanied by a Support Worker or other supporting adult (please see the QA Access to Assessment Policy for further details).