

1b. 'WHO NEEDS A PVG?' INFO SHEET

What is a PVG

It is a background check completed on anyone who works with children/young people or protected adults carrying out a role considered to be "regulated work". It is a legal requirement under the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 (The PVG Scheme)



Coaches

Level 2, Level 1, team, specialist, guest and trainee coaches



Assistants/Helpers

People who help coaches out, but do not have a coaching qualification. These roles help manage the session, supervise participants, set up equipment, may give advice to the skip and act as another responsible adult on the ice and a 'spare pair of hands'



The Manager

The role of managing a person or people who are in "regulated work" is also considered to meet the definition of regulated work, eg. a Youth Section Convener, Club President, Secretary, Development Officer and any other similar role



Young Leaders

People who are 16 years and above. They may be part of a club youth leadership programme, Sports Leaders, Young Ambassador or similar programme. These young people take a similar role to that of a coach/assistant coach/helper within the curling session and should follow the same PVG process as those roles.

What is "regulated work"?

REGULATED WORK is defined in the PVG Scheme by five criteria:

1. It has to be work (paid or unpaid)
2. It has to be with either children/young people/protected adults
3. It has to be part of normal duties i.e. the activity is reasonably anticipated and could appear on the persons job description
4. The work has to include:
 - caring for children/young people/protected adults
 - teaching, instructing, training or supervising children/young people/protected adults
 - being in sole charge of children/young people/protected adults
 - having unsupervised access to children/young people/protected adults
 - being a host parent
5. The activity has to be targeted at children; eg. where an adult section/team has one or two under 18s in attendance, this is termed 'incidental' and does not constitute regulated work.

Young Leaders who are under 16 should be considered as a session participant who is taking on a leadership role and should be supported by a responsible adult at all times. Even if the young person is leading the session, the adult is considered to be responsible for the session and should have a PVG and relevant child protection training.

The RCCC has deemed that all the above roles meet the criteria for "Regulated Work" and therefore require a PVG