

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN POLICY

Our Commitment

Worthing Court Apartment Hotel is committed to the safeguarding of children from both general and sexual exploitation.

We understand our unique position to help identify, prevent and report instances of child exploitation and abuse which take place within or near the hotel premises. We conduct regular training with our team and the Child Care Board in Barbados on Safeguarding Children in the Tourism Industry:

Having a policy and procedures in place against the general and sexual exploitation of children

Regularly training our employees on the safeguarding of children and minors from tourism related sexual exploitation, including how to identify and report suspicious circumstances and incidents to the local authorities or child protection agencies

Having included a clause in the contracts with our suppliers and sub-contractors stating a common repudiation and zero tolerance policy of general and sexual exploitation of children

Increasing the awareness of our guests for this issue through relevant information and guidelines on how to report suspected cases, which are displayed on guest noticeboards and in our destination guides in the guest rooms

Being in constant dialogue with the local authorities and child protection agencies in our destination

Reporting annually on the implementation of the six criteria

Local Representative:

Barbados Child Care Board, Fred Edgehill Building, Cheapside, Bridgetown, Barbados Telephone: 535-2800 Website: https://childcareboard.gov.bb/ Email: childcareboard@barbados.gov.bb

This policy is reviewed annually and communicated internally and externally via staff handbooks, noticeboards, supplier and sub-contractor contracts and our website.

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