



#4 For respect and safety. Against sexual assaults in sport.

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Country: Austria

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Type of discrimination

- Sexual Discrimination in Football

Target group

- All people who work with people in sport and sport organisations
- All persons who become victims of sexual assaults in sport

Problem/Solution

- In Austria, 2.1 million people are members of a sports club, including around 500,000 children and young people. Sport has a responsibility to create a climate of respect by offering high-quality sports in a safe and appealing sports environment in order to inspire people of all genders, sexual orientations, educational backgrounds, abilities and origins to take part in exercise and sport and to protect them from abuse and assault.
- This practice is aimed at sports clubs and supports those responsible in taking preventive measures to build a climate of respect, recognition and protection for their members and athletes in their organisations. It also provides materials on how to deal with and intervene in concrete cases of suspicion in a professional manner.

Objective

The aim of the practice "For Respect and Safety" by 100% Sport is to develop a culture of awareness in sports clubs. By taking up the issue in Austria, by looking and acting, and by raising the awareness of those responsible in sport and strengthening their ability to act, one can prevent sexualised assaults and actively combat them.

Activities

- Prevention of sexual assaults in sport
- Development of a culture of awareness
- Development of guiding principles, statutes, bylaws
- Training and education of multipliers

- Counselling for infrastructural measures
- Safeguarding for children
- Development of templates and forms
- Awareness raising campaigns
- Networking
- Cooperation on national and international level

Results

- Creation of a contact platform to counselling centers in all nine Austrian counties
- Publication of information folders and a manual for sport clubs and associations
- Training seminars
- Multipliers / Prevention and Safety-Officers in all umbrella sport federations and many specific sport federations (Fachsportverbände)

Top tips

- Official support and backing by the Austrian ministry for sport, national sport associations (ASKÖ, Sportunion, ASVÖ), the national sport governing body Sport Austria and Österreichisches Bundesnetzwerk Sportpsychologie (ÖBS; Austrian Federal Network Sport Psychology)
- Developed by a round table of experts from the field (child safety NGOs, sport federations, NGOs etc.)

More

- Website: <https://100prozent-sport.at> and <https://safesport.at>
- Toolkit
 - https://100prozent-sport.at/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Handreichung_Respekt-und-Sicherheit_2.Auflage_aktualisiert.pdf
 - https://100prozent-sport.at/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/Folder-Respekt_Sicherheit_allgemein.pdf
- E-learning course: <https://safesport.at/academy/e-learning/>



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