

# **Handling Safety Concerns**

### **Guide for Street Swing Crew**

### Here's what to do:



### Encourage them to speak to a Safety Rep

If someone shares something that made them feel uncomfortable, unsafe, or concerned, encourage them to speak to one of our **Safety Reps**:

- Laura Trethewey
- Frances Ferguson
- Antony Hamer

### You can say something like:

"Thanks for telling me - This is something one of our Safety Reps could help with. They're trained to handle things like this respectfully and confidentially."

#### Let them know:

- It's okay to talk even if they're unsure what they want to happen
- Safety Reps can help work through options
- They can remain anonymous or private if preferred



## What if they don't want to talk to a Safety Rep?

If they're not comfortable being referred:

- Respect their decision don't push.
- Let them know about our **anonymous online form**:
  - Street Swing Incident Report Form

This lets them share what happened - even without providing their name if preferred.

Tip: Offer to help them fill it in, or give them space to do it themselves.

If they don't want to report it at all, that's their choice - but do:

- Thank them for trusting you
- Encourage them to reach out anytime if they change their mind
- Check in with a Safety Rep yourself (without giving away details or names) to ensure that the concern is noted

# **About Our Safety Reps & Our Approach**

Our Safety Reps are here to:

- Listen without judgment
- Keep things confidential
- Help the person figure out what they want to do next
- Record issues appropriately and make sure follow-ups are fair and timely

We work hard to protect everyone involved, avoid gossip, and ensure that concerns are handled kindly and professionally.

If you're ever unsure, you can always speak to any of our Safety Reps in confidence for advice.

# Respecting Privacy

As part of the Street Swing Crew, you might sometimes hear things that are personal or sensitive, like if someone tells you about a concern, an experience, or how they're feeling.

Here's what to keep in mind:

- Be respectful and discreet don't share personal info with others (even other crew) unless the person has said it's okay or you're passing it to a Safety Rep.
- Avoid gossip or assumptions even if you hear something second-hand.
- If you're not sure what to do, talk to a Safety Rep.
- Laura is also our Privacy Officer, and can help if something seems tricky or serious.

Thanks for helping us keep Street Swing a space where people feel safe and respected 💛

