



**Mary Immaculate College,
University of Limerick**

Children on Campus Guidelines

Children are welcomed and encouraged on the College Campus. However, appropriate precautions and limitations on visitation are necessary to protect their health and safety. Safety is a primary concern when considering the presence of children (those under 18) on the College Campus. Children, other than registered College students, are permitted on the College Campus only while in the care of an adult parent, guardian or a designated child care person. Some of our facilities are not designed for use by unsupervised children.

The following guidelines apply to MIC staff & other persons bringing children to Mary Immaculate College:

- i. Any accident or injury involving a child must be reported immediately to the Health and Safety Officer irrespective of the seriousness of the incident. Accident Forms are available on the Health and Safety section of the MIC Website and at Reception Areas.
- ii. Children must be supervised at all times and should not be left unattended or in anybody else's care.
- iii. If you are organising or involved in an event or activity that may be deemed potentially hazardous to the children involved, please contact the Health and Safety Officer. This will ensure that a Risk Assessment in advance of the event or activity will be carried out to control/reduce the risks.
- iv. There are some areas of the College which may be inherently dangerous and/or hazardous to unsupervised children and are therefore considered prohibited. Children should not be left unsupervised in any area of the College, but in particular in areas with machinery, equipment and chemicals etc.
- v. All staff should familiarise themselves with the MIC 'Child Protection Guidelines'. The MIC 'Child Protection Guidelines' are available on the College website at <http://www.mic.ul.ie/policies/Child%20Protection.pdf>.