

# Requirement for Supervisors to be trained in Safeguarding at the Advanced level

MC/22/81

Date of meeting	17-18 October 2022
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Action required	Decision
Resolutions	81/1. The Council receives the report.  81/2. The Council directs the addition of Supervisors (either training or trained and accredited under the Methodist Church Reflective Supervision Policy 2021-26) to the list of participants who must attend Safeguarding training at the advanced level.

For the most part, Supervisors will already be safeguarding trained to the advanced level, as they are ministers in the active work or supernumerary ministers who preach regularly.

However there is an increasing number of lay supervisors who may not have another reason to attend the Safeguarding training. Safeguarding, and attention to the risks or impact of connected issues, is an important element of supervision and it seems appropriate that anyone offering this as part of the work in the Church is asked to train at this advanced level.

The Ministries Committee, at their meeting on 11 May 2022, therefore requested the Methodist Council to consider adding Supervisors (either training or trained and accredited under the Methodist Church Reflective Supervision Policy 2021-26) to the list of participants who must attend Safeguarding training at the advanced level.

Clearly some thought will need to be given to the impact on those who offer the safeguarding training.

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