

Appendix 5: Code of Fundraising Practice in summary

The Fundraising Regulator sets and maintains the standards for charitable fundraising, and regulates fundraising, in England, Northern Ireland and Wales – and also in relation to many charities, including us, in Scotland.

The Fundraising Regulator holds the Code of Fundraising Practice for the UK. All of our fundraising activities must comply with this code, including how we deal with fundraising complaints.

The Code of Fundraising Practice outlines the standards expected of all charitable fundraising organisations across the UK; this appendix summarises the sections that apply to our volunteer-led groups.

We recommend that you involve your [Area Fundraiser](#) or national [Fundraising Manager](#) for specialist support to develop innovative fundraising activities.

1. Key principles

Ensuring all fundraising is legal, open, honest and respectful, including use of funds, treatment of donors, reporting of fundraising standards, and complaint handling.

2. Policies

How data protection, disclosure, health and safety, volunteer involvement, expenses, and equality, diversity and inclusion policies must be applied to 'on behalf of' and 'in aid of' volunteer fundraisers.

3. Communication

Covers use of personal data and marketing contact preferences, following copyright law, legally required information, decency and accuracy in written and digital fundraising communications.

4. Activities

Planning events, lotteries and raffles, trust fundraising, static and public collections, legacies and major donations that meet insurance, licencing and accessibility standards.

5. Handling donations

Reporting and accounting for donations, cash counting and banking procedures, restriction of funds, trading legislation, Gift Aid and VAT, and record keeping.

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