Use of Mobile Phones on Activities

Groups should, with parents and children/young people, develop a policy on the use of mobile phones during youth activities. The policy should be communicated to all parents and youth members. The policy could include:

- Confirmation that when an activity is a named leader is the primary point of communication and is to be contacted if there is an emergency or change to prearranged arrangements.
- That the use of mobile phones including text messaging is allowed during activities.
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Use of Computers / Tablets / Web-Enabled Games Consoles / Smart TVs

If such devices are used as part of activities within the organization, guidelines should be produced to ensure that they are used for the correct purpose, and include, for example; what websites are suitable for the age of children/young people and what websites are suitable for the age of children/young people.

Other Information and Sources for Parents and Carers on E-Safety

The following websites provide information for leaders, parents, and children about staying safe to help prevent their children from harm:

- Safeguarding Board NI - www.safeguardingni.org/safety
- NSPCC/Childline - www.childline.org.uk
- Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (CEOP) - www.ceop.police.uk
- Childnet - www.childnet.com
- the UK Safer Internet Centre - www.safeforinternet.org.uk

Guidance for Faith-Based Groups

Use of Social Media and other E-Based Communication
This is a template policy used by XYZ to provide a clear, concise, and effective approach to managing social media usage policies within the organization. The policy is designed to ensure that all employees are aware of the guidelines and know how to act in accordance with the policy.

### Social Media Usage Policy

#### Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish guidelines for the use of social media by employees of the organization. The policy will ensure that the use of social media is consistent with the organization’s mission and values, and that it helps to promote a positive image of the organization.

#### Scope

This policy applies to all employees of the organization, including full-time, part-time, and temporary employees. It also applies to contractors and volunteers who are accessing or using the organization’s social media accounts.

#### Guidelines

1. Employees are encouraged to use social media in a professional and positive manner that reflects the organization’s values.
2. Employees are encouraged to use social media to promote the organization’s products and services.
3. Employees are encouraged to respond to comments and messages in a timely and respectful manner.
4. Employees are encouraged to use social media to engage with customers and other stakeholders.
5. Employees are encouraged to use social media to promote the organization’s values and mission.
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### Conclusion

By following these guidelines, employees of XYZ can ensure that they are using social media in a professional and positive manner that reflects the organization’s values.

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This document is a template policy and may need to be customized to fit the specific needs of the organization. The policy should be reviewed and updated on a regular basis to ensure that it remains relevant and effective.