

Standard 8:

Physical and online environments minimise the opportunity for abuse to occur

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- Minimising the risks to children in your physical and online environment
- Keeping in mind the privacy and developmental health of the child

How it impacts organisations?

- This requires an organisation to practise good risk management to minimise risks
- It is important to think through what safety measures are put in place both in the physical world but also online, in social media, on websites, and your internal systems

What practical steps people can apply today?

- Use EA's practical risk assessment plan
- Understand – discern what the risks to your kids
- Prioritise – organise the risks into most to least important
- Act – put in place measures to improve the safety of your kids starting with the high risk activities
- When acting, it can be hard to know how to start, so make use of one of the following risk management strategies
- Avoid – don't do the activity that creates a risk
- Transfer – get someone outside the organisation to run the risky activity
- Minimise – think of strategies to reduce either the **chance** of the risk or the **consequence** of the risk
- Accept – risks are a fact of life and sometimes it is necessary to accept a risk can occur, this is only a legitimate strategy if you cannot advance your cause without undertaking a risk