

Adult at Risk (formerly vulnerable adult) - Republic Of Ireland:

A person, other than a child, who –

- (a) is suffering from a disorder of the mind, whether as a result of mental illness or dementia,
- (b) has an intellectual disability,
- (c) is suffering from a physical impairment, whether as a result of injury, illness or age, or
- (d) has a physical disability which is of such a nature or degree –

- (i) as to restrict the capacity of the person to guard himself or herself against harm by another person, or
- (ii) that results in the person requiring assistance with the activities of daily living including dressing, eating, walking, washing and bathing.

Legislation: [\(National Vetting Bureau \(Children and Vulnerable Persons\) Act 2012\)](#)

If you have an adult at risk at your event you have a duty of care to put provisions in place to support them.

Vulnerable adult - Northern Ireland:

(1) A person is a vulnerable adult if they have attained the age of 18 and

- a) are in residential accommodation,
- b) are in sheltered housing,
- c) receives domiciliary care,
- d) receives any form of health care,
- e) is detained in lawful custody,
- f) is by virtue of an order of a court under supervision by a probation officer,
- g) receives a welfare service of a prescribed description,
- h) receives any service or participates in any activity provided specifically for persons who fall within paragraph (9),
- i) payments are made to him (or to another on his behalf) in pursuance of arrangements under section 8 of the Carers and Direct Payments Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 (c. 6), or
- j) requires assistance in the conduct of his own affairs.

Legislation: <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/nisi/2007/1351/article/3/made>

Northern Ireland: While you might have vulnerable adults or adults at risk in your club your volunteers are unlikely to be in regulated activities with them as race organisers as event

organisation does not fall into this category. However there are two external contractors who may be classed as providing regulated activity at events.:

- First aider/medical team
- Transport team - if you are busing people or transporting them to the event or start line.

[Regulated activity with adults](#) (NI)