THE ROLE OF A CHAPERONE FOR CHILDREN IN ENTERTAINMENT - Frequently asked questions

**Who can apply to be a Chaperone?**
Adults (18 years and over) can apply to be a chaperone.

**What is the role of a Chaperone?**
The chaperone is the key person who protects and supports the child and is responsible for the child’s wellbeing while they are taking part in entertainment, paid sport and paid modelling.

**How do I apply?**
Download and complete the full application form on our website or contact a member of our team. 
https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/docs/schools/chaperone-application-form-2018.doc

**What will happen next?**
You will be invited to attend chaperone awareness training where you will have the opportunity to meet the Child Entertainment Licensing Officer who will explain the importance of chaperones in the entertainment industry.

**Do I need a criminal records check?**
Yes. You will need to visit one of our the Customer Service Centres in order for a Disclosure and Barring System check (DBS) to be carried out.

Follow this link Disclosure and Barring Service | Home Office for further details.

**Is there a charge to become a chaperone?**
There is a fee of £51 for professional chaperones and £7 for volunteer chaperones.

**How long will I have to wait for my Approval certificate to be issued?**
The process may take up to 3 months.

**How long will my Approval Certificate last?**
The approval certificate is granted for a period of 3 years.

**Contacts**
Child Entertainment Licensing Officer
Attendance and Children Out of School Service
Floor 5 Delamere House
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Crewe, CW1 2BJ
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Information on child performances and the use of chaperones can be found on the website - National Network for Children in Employment and Entertainment. www.nncee.org.uk