



Statement on Vulnerable Adults

LSI Portsmouth does not knowingly accept vulnerable adults (according to the definition below), as our staff are not trained or CRB checked for suitability to work with them. In the unlikely event that a vulnerable adult enrolls on a course without LSI Portsmouth's knowing, LSI Portsmouth will not be able to allow them to join any classes. LSI Portsmouth will contact the relevant next of kin, who would then be responsible for ensuring their safe passage home, or to a suitable alternative destination.

LSI Portsmouth does, on occasion, assess applications from students with special educational needs and disabilities on a case-by-case basis. Some of these applicants could be perceived as having a degree of vulnerability; however LSI Portsmouth liaises closely with the student and/or family or ETO to determine whether or not a suitable course and homestay can be provided to accommodate the student's needs.

Definition of Vulnerable Adult

According to regulations, 'vulnerable adult' means a person aged 18 or over who is receiving services of a type listed in paragraph (2) below and in consequence of a condition of a type listed in paragraph (3) below has a disability of a type listed in paragraph (4) below.

(2) The services are—

- a) accommodation and nursing or personal care in a care home
- b) personal care or nursing or support to live independently in his/her own home
- c) any services provided by an independent hospital, independent clinic, independent medical agency or National Health Service body
- d) social care services; or
- e) any services provided in an establishment catering for a person with learning difficulties

(3) The conditions are—

- a) a learning or physical disability
- b) a physical or mental illness, chronic or otherwise, including an addiction to alcohol or drugs
- c) a reduction in physical or mental capacity

(4) The disabilities are—

- a) a dependency upon others in the performance of, or a requirement for assistance in the performance of, basic physical functions
- b) severe impairment in the ability to communicate with others
- c) impairment in a person's ability to protect himself from assault, abuse or neglect

The Police Act 1997 (Enhanced Criminal Records Certificates) (Protection of Vulnerable Adults) Regulations (2002). Retrieved June 2012 from:
(<http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2002/446/regulation/2>)