

Health & Safety

Advanced Higher Students and SSERC

We encourage students to work with SSERC on AH investigations. We lend equipment, invite them to our premises and answer queries concerning their practical work. This last area does raise one or two issues concerning safety and child protection. To address these, we ask that the following protocols are observed:

- If using e-mail, initial contact should be established by a teacher or technician. Alternatively, the student may e-mail SSERC directly, provided that a member of staff is cc'd into the initial communication. The teacher or technician will thereafter be cc'd or, if preferred, bcc'd into all correspondence, or can act as an intermediary between SSERC and the student.

- If using the telephone, again initial contact should be made by a teacher or technician. Students should not contact SSERC using their personal mobile phones. Should they do so, SSERC staff will ask to speak to a teacher or technician. A member of school staff should be present during subsequent phone calls.
- Students should never contact SSERC about chemical disposal, spillage or immediate remedial measures. This should always be done through a member of staff.

We trust that the reasons for these measures are obvious and that having to comply with the protocols will not dissuade anyone from seeking help.