

## Security and safeguarding

The brothers of the community want Taizé to be a place of trust, a safe place for those who come to seek inner peace. Everyone needs to be vigilant about this. The community counts especially on the responsibility and watchfulness of group leaders.

As part of the security measures taken in France at the moment, places of large gatherings are particularly protected, often by military patrols.

All baggage should be labelled and never left unattended. We ask everyone not to bring handbags or rucksacks into the church. A team of young people on the doors ensure that these instructions are complied with.

If you become aware that any person has been subjected to sexual abuse or any kind of violence, please speak about it immediately, particularly if the person concerned is under 18. Speak with the brother responsible for safeguarding in Taizé, who can always be reached in La Morada. If you prefer, you can speak to a sister in El Abiodh or the people in charge of the first aid point. You can also contact a helpline number in your own country.

We ask all people taking part in the meetings to pay particular attention to people behaving suspiciously in any manner whatsoever, whether they are participating in the meetings or not. Please alert us if you see any use of drugs or excessive consumption of alcohol.

**For all questions concerning safeguarding, please do not hesitate to contact the community: [protection@taize.fr](mailto:protection@taize.fr).**

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