



Photo/video Policy

Rationale

- Increasingly, technology is making it easier for pictures and images to be used inappropriately as printed material or on the web. It is not illegal to take photographs of children in sports clubs, but photographs and video images of club members are classed as personal data under the terms of the Data Protection Act 1998. Therefore, using such images for publicity purposes will require the consent of the legal guardians of our junior players.

Principles

- Images of junior players should not be displayed on websites, in publications or in a public place without consent from parents.
- There will be times when parents wish to take photographs or video of training or competitions. A copy of this policy will be available to all parents.
- Any parents that are anxious or concerned about their child being photographed (even as part of a 'group') must contact the safeguarding officer immediately.
- Parents wishing to photograph/video training or competitions must notify the senior coach for that training session or competition. This indicates that the parent will not use the images inappropriately.

Application

- At times, the club may wish to use images of players for publicity materials. Parents with objections to *any* images of their child being taken or displayed in *any* form should notify the club. We will then adhere to this request and take appropriate action to prevent other parents taking images of that child. Similarly, any adult players not wishing to be photographed should notify the club.
- 'No images should be taken of children in unsuitable clothing or stages of undress.
- Names of children should not, as standard practice, be given with any image used for external requirements / publicity. Where names are given, they should either be first name only OR initial and surname (full name should never be used for junior players, either in print or electronically)
- All parents of junior players should complete a photo/video consent form on joining the club. If consent is not given, that player should not be featured in any photos or videos, either during training or competitions.