



Waverley Night Netball Association Inc. (WNNA) Photo Consent Policy

Introduced as of 1st July 2024.

Photography and video footage will only be required by WNNA and its teams or clubs for three purposes:

- Player / Umpire training and development
- Association / Club promotion and publicity
- Participants and family personal use

As outlined in Netball Victoria's Child Safety in Netball Policy, 'It is a serious breach of this Child Protection Commitment Statement and possibly the law, if any Persons in Positions of Responsibility and Authority, whether participating in a program, event, service or activity, or working in a paid or volunteer capacity, harm or exploit Children and Young People who are involved in any of NV's activities, services, events or programs. Breaches of this include, but are not limited to, any Persons in Positions of Responsibility and Authority who:

- (F) take, reproduce and/or distribute photos of Children and Young People without their consent or the consent of their guardians
- (G) publish *any material containing images of Children and Young People...*'

Association Photographer

From time-to-time WNNA will engage a photographer / videographer to take footage for the *purpose of selling images* to participants or interested persons, prior consent from teams or individuals, including umpires will be obtained for this purpose. Any non-consent will be clearly articulated to the engaged photographer / videographer so that images of non-consenting teams or individuals are not obtained nor made available for purchase.

Outdoor Venues

The Waverley Netball Centre venue is a public open space. Neither Netball Victoria nor an Association can stop anyone taking photographs or video images in this instance. Someone unknown to the Association who arrives at the venue and starts filming can be asked for what purpose they are filming. If the answer is satisfactory, they can be requested, but not forced, to register as per the recommended guidelines below. If the answer is not satisfactory and the person continues to behave in a 'suspicious' manner, then the Police may be called.

Indoor Venues

Indoor venues such as Waverley Netball Centre may have particular photography/video restrictions or guidelines in place which must be followed. WNC asks photographers being engaged by club / teams to register at reception prior.

Competition Condition Of Entry

The WNNA may wish to record images of participants during WNNA competitions for promotional and training/development purposes. These images may be used in mediums including publications and promotional material, and broadcast, print and electronic media.

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WNNA agrees not to use any photo in a manner that may be deemed adverse or defamatory to the person(s) involved and it will not use the photo for any commercial gain. The photos will remain the property of the WNNA and any personal details regarding this photo will be kept confidential and will not be used for any purpose other than related to this photo.

During this competition parents and family of players may wish to record images of their family members participating for personal use only. Where possible such requests will be authorised and subject to certain conditions, noting that on public land this is not enforceable.

It is a condition of entry into the WNNA competition that participants may be subject to photography/filming as described above and that consent is provided for this purpose**.

As the Club / Team Contact entering the team into the competition online in Netball Connect, you advise that all team members and parents/guardians (if under 18) are aware of the above conditions and agree to comply.

**** Under special circumstances an exemption may be granted – the team/individual needs to state, in writing on the “Exemption Request Form”, the reason an exemption is being sought to the Centre Manager.**

Guidelines for WNNA implementation:

The simplest administrative method to manage the photography/videography issue is to include participants consent/non-consent as a condition of entry to the competition and means that the club or team sign on behalf of all team members. In this case the procedure is as follows:

1. It is a condition of entry into the WNNA Competitions and a special exemption to this condition may be granted provided the team/individual states the reason(s) for which the exemption is sought by completing the “Exemption Request Form”.
 - a. Centre Management or a nominated individual shall manage the registrations of exemptions to for non-consent of photos and be provided each week with a list of any teams/individuals refusing consent.
 - b. The nominated Centre Management team member should then monitor any photography / video requests, complaints and filming involving these teams accordingly.
2. As umpires may inadvertently be photographed/videoed, a consent clause will be included in the Association’s Umpire registration process. If an Umpire does not provide consent, this must be managed as per 1. above.
3. All individuals seeking to acquire images at Association/Club venues/events should be required to register for permission at the venue. Permission will be granted for the date(s) specified only. This cannot be enforced at all times as the WNC is an on public open space.
4. Individuals granted permission should be clearly identifiable to Association/Club officials and members (i.e. sticker, badge etc). Identification should be collected from and returned to the Association/Club venue on each photography/video occasion. Any team/individual who has not provided consent to film/video needs to be identified to the photographer at this stage - on EACH occasion of filming.

Points To Remember When Acquiring And Displaying Images

- Permission needs to be obtained from the participant or parent / guardian (if under 18) prior to taking their image. Ensure that they are aware of the way in which the image may be used.
- Request that professional photographers and/or spectators taking photographic / video images register at an event or facility.
- If the Association/Club appoints an official photographer, clearly outline to professional photographers that all images taken will remain the property of the sporting organisation, and cannot be used or sold for any other purpose.
- Do not display personal information such as residential address, email address or telephone numbers without gaining consent from a parent/guardian first.
- Only use appropriate images of the athlete, relevant to the sport/activity, and suitably clothed.
- Reduce the ability for the direct copying of pictures from a website to another source
- Provide details of who to contact if a concern/complaint of inappropriate image use is raised.

For Further Information:

Federal Privacy Law: <http://www.privacy.gov.au/act/index.html>

Australian Sports Commission: <http://www.ausport.gov.au/ethics/childimages.asp>