



MM&YT UK Photography policy

Taken and amended from the Child Protection in Sport Unit website www.thecpsu.org.uk:

• MM & YT Staff and volunteers

- Check parental permission with regards to consent for a child to be photographed/videoed - given out with registration forms.
- Once permission has been gained from the parents and school or community site, MM&YT UK staff or designated volunteers are permitted to take pictures during coaching sessions and 5km challenge events. These must only be used by MM& YT UK and must be removed from all electronic devices afterwards. Any failure to do this will result in disciplinary and possibly police action.
- The child's permission must be sought prior to taking any picture of them.
- Any images of children that are passed onto a third party by the coach (excluding MM&YT UK) may result in police action.
- Only take pictures of children in suitable dress to reduce the risk of inappropriate use. Some activities – swimming, drama, gymnastics and athletics for example – present a much greater risk of potential misuse.

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- Avoid using children's names (first name or surname) in photograph captions. If the child is named, avoid using his or her photograph. If the photograph is used, avoid naming the child.
- Only use pictures of children in suitable dress to reduce the risk of inappropriate use. Some activities – swimming, drama, gymnastics and athletics for example – present a much greater risk of potential misuse.
- Avoid adding personal information about the child to the images, eg: this is X who likes to collect stamps –could be used by an individual to learn more about a child prior to grooming them for abuse.
- Make clear the organisation's expectations of professional photographers in relation to the organisations photography policy.
- Do not allow photographers unsupervised access to children.
- Do not approve photography sessions outside the event or at a child's home.