

PEAQ PHOTOGRAPHY POLICY

PURPOSE

There has been discussion about whether it is safe to have images taken of children participating in sports. Although the majority of images are appropriate and are taken in good faith, it is a fact that images can be misused and children can be put at risk if common-sense procedures are not observed.

Photography Policy

At registration, every parent or guardian has a right to refuse to have their child(ren) photographed. The exercise of this right of refusal cannot be used as grounds for refusing entry into a swimming competition.

All photographs must observe generally accepted standards of decency in particular:

- Action shots should be a celebration of the sporting activity and not a sexualized image in a sporting context.
- Action shots should not be taken or retained where the photograph reveals a torn or displaced swimsuit.
- Photographs should not be taken from behind swimming blocks at the start of a race or exhibit a child climbing out of the swimming pool.
- Photographs should not be taken in locker rooms, bathrooms, or any designated changing area.