



CAST PHOTOGRAPHY POLICIES

PURPOSE

There has been much talk about whether it is safe to have images taken of children participating in sports. While the great 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.

We encourage parents to have a discussion with their kids as to what is and is not appropriate, both in posing for pictures, in taking them, as well as posting them.

A parent or guardian has a right to refuse to have children photographed. The exercise of this right of refusal cannot be used as grounds for refusing entry into a swimming competition. The publishing of a photograph of a swimmer under 18 either should only be done with parental consent. Parental consent before publishing/displaying the photos should be obtained, preferably in writing. A suggested form allowing parents to indicate refusal of consent is to follow.

Photographs used / taken for or on behalf of the club must observe generally accepted standards of decency in particular:

- Action shots should be a celebration of the sporting activity and not a sexualized image.
- 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, in locker-rooms, or in bathrooms.

CONSENT:

College Area Swim Team (CAST) may wish to take photographs (individual and in groups) of swimmers under the age of 18 that may include your child during their membership in the club. All photos will be taken and published in line with club policy. Parents have a right to refuse agreement to their child being photographed. Photos may be used or displayed on:

- Club social media including a closed Facebook site, Instagram, and a closed Shutterfly photos site
- Club promotional materials to include but not limited to news releases, flyers, notice boards
- Club training materials



Parents have a right to refuse agreement to their child being photographed.

As the parent/caregiver of _____ I allow the following

Take photographs to use on the club's secure website

☐ Consent given ☐ Consent refused

Take photographs to include with newspaper articles

☐ Consent given ☐ Consent refused

Take photographs to use on club notice boards ☐

Consent given ☐ Consent refused

Video for training purposes only

☐ Consent given ☐ Consent refused

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

Please return this form to: dave@castswim.com or casttreasurer@sbcglobal.net