



ZIONSVILLE SWIM CLUB 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.

ZSC PHOTOGRAPHY POLICIES

1. The publishing of a photograph of swimmer under 18 either on a notice board or in a published article or video recording (including video streaming) of swimming competitions ("publication") should only be done with parents' consent per our online **Use of Photographs for Club Promotion Agreement**.
2. A parent or guardian has a right of refusal to have children photographed. The exercise of this right of refusal cannot be used as grounds for refusing entry into a swimming competition. Therefore, any photo that may go to press or on a notice board, be it through a member of the club or official photographer, should receive parental consent before publishing/displaying the photo, preferably in writing. Consent is given via **Use of Photographs for Club Promotion Agreement** in Team Unify. A form allowing parents to indicate refusal of consent overrides the **Use of Photographs for Club Promotion Agreement** and follows below.

In the case of open meets and other competitions where the host club has an official photographer present, all parents attending should be made aware of this in your meet information. If photos are to be published anywhere, the individual parent should be given the opportunity to withhold their consent. Their right to do so should be specifically drawn to their attention.

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 or bathrooms.

ZIONSVILLE SWIM CLUB OPT-OUT FORM FOR PHOTOS

The following is agreed to upon registration as a Photography Agreement:

Staff, members, or others may photograph children and adults participating in the Zionsville Swim Club on behalf of ZSC under the conditions of our Zionsville Swim Club Photography Policy. These photographs may appear without compensation in newspapers, on the internet via our website or social media, or other printed or electronic materials related to the role and function of the ZSC. Any publicity on behalf of ZSC will not include swimmer names unless express permission is granted prior to publication.

If parents refuse to have their child photographed please download, complete this form on our website, and email it to the [Club Administrator](#). This refusal will remain in effect for the duration of your swimmer's membership with the club.

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

As the parent/caregiver of _____ we refuse consent for filming and photography for newspaper articles, the club's website, video training purposes, and any other such conditions.

☐ Consent refused

Signed: _____

Dated: _____