



PARENTAL AUTHORIZATION & RELEASE FROM LIABILITY FOR USE & REPRODUCTION OF PHOTOGRAPHIC & VIDEO IMAGES

(as read and agreed upon in the registration agreements)

During the course of the swim season, Swim Torrance documents the year for our swimmers through still and video photography. These images are used for Swim Torrance promotional materials including but not limited to the website, as well as slide/video presentations for use within the club.

Guidelines for taking photographs

- Staff and approved Team Photographers are permitted to take photographs to support promotional or instructional aims e.g., for social media or to share with the swimmer a skill correction
- Photographs should be stored securely and for authorized use
- Staff and Team Photographers should ensure that image files are appropriately named and will not use swimmers' full names in image file names
- When taking photographs, photographers should ensure that the swimmers are appropriately dressed and abide by MAAPP policy, Swim Torrance code of conducts and USA Swimming Code of Conduct
- Publication may use the full first name with the first letter of the last name to identify swimmer and/or adult in a photograph in association with the photograph posted (including in the accompanying text or the photograph caption) without explicit permission from the parent or guardian.
- Where photographs are taken at an event attended by a large crowd e.g., during a swim meet, this is regarded as a public area, if your child has opted out, please inform the coach in advance to remove the swimmer from the collective photo as best possible

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.

If a parent or guardian has any concerns about inappropriate or intrusive photography at a team event, they should report their concerns to their child's lead coach (or to a Meet Marshal, Official, or Meet Admin member).

I/we authorize Swim Torrance to utilize video/still imaging of our swimmer and relieve Swim Torrance from all liability resulting from said use. Swim Torrance may not share a swimmer's personal information under any circumstances and is prohibited from distributing any and all imaging outside the club except for use related to the Swim Torrance website and/or promotional materials.

I/we understand since my athlete(s) is a minor, if I would like to opt out of having my child(ren) photographed at team functions, including meets, I may contact a member of the Swim Torrance Staff (Coach or Board Member) to remove him/her/they from this agreement.



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