

Policy Guidelines on the use of Photographic and filming equipment

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Clane GAA – Draft Policy Guidelines Policy on the use of Photographic and filming equipment

A policy has been implemented in relation to the use of images of players on the club website and in other publications as there have been concerns about the risks created directly or indirectly to young players through the use of sports websites and other publications. Parents will need to be made aware of the use of photograph's prior to them being seen by the public. This will provide parents the opportunity to refuse permission to have their child's photo used. The child's name will not be included with the picture for the child's protection as this reduces the risk of inappropriate, unsolicited attention from people within and outside the sport.

Rules for the use of photograph's involving underage players

- 1. If a player is named avoid using their photograph.
- 2. If photograph's are used avoid naming the child.
- 3. Only use images of players in suitable dress to reduce the risk of inappropriate use. The content of the photograph should focus on the activity and not on a particular child.
- 4. The inappropriate use of images of underage players should be reported to the Children's Officer.

Photograph's / film / video operators wishing to record an event or practice session should seek approval with the Children's Officer and mentor of session. Where possible their professional identification should be sought and a record kept.

Videoing as a coaching aid

Video can be used as a legitimate coaching aid. However, permission should first be sought from the player and the player's parent / guardian. Anyone concerned about any photography, taking place at events or training sessions can contact the Children's Officer in relation to the matter.

From April 2017, The consent and the player's and parental permission to use their image is included in the annual registration form.