

DURSLEY R.F.C.



DURSLEY RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB LTD

PHOTOGRAPHIC POLICY

1. Dursley RFU positively encourages parents and spectators to take photographs of participants involved in rugby to celebrate the ethos and spirit of the sport. However, there may be circumstances where taking a photograph of a child might not be acceptable.
2. It is not an offence to take photographs in a public place but DRFC may regulate whether or not photographs may be taken on the club's privately owned or leased land.
3. DRFC will obtain parental consent for photographs to be taken whilst a child is either at the club or away fixtures at the beginning of the season when obtaining contact information and membership details.
4. Personal information which can lead to a child being identified should never be used unless parents have been informed as to how the image will be used and their consent given. This is particularly important when issuing press releases and match reports.
5. Photographs should be of the activity or team, not of one individual.
6. Children must be appropriately dressed when being photographed. It is never acceptable to capture any images in changing rooms, showers or at any time when players are dressing. Images should be neither sexual, of an exploitative nature nor open to misinterpretation or misuse.
7. Parents will be made aware if a film is being taken to be used as a coaching aid. Clubs and CBs should ensure that any footage will be carefully monitored and stored securely.
8. For fixtures/festivals confirmation will be obtained from each club that parental permission has been given for all the children participating. If there is a child who is the subject of a court order who should therefore not have their photograph taken, this will be addressed before the event. Parents should be aware that they might be asked to register their intention to take photographs.
9. If the club commissions professional photographers or invites the press to cover an activity, the club will:
 - Ensure that the photographer has been appropriately vetted prior to the event.
 - Provide the photographer with a copy of this policy.
 - Inform them of the club's commitment to safeguarding children.Establish who will hold the recorded images and what they intend to do with them.
 - Issue the professional photographer with identification, which must be worn at all times