

# **Poseidon Lifesaving Club Child Safety Camera, Filming & Mobile Phone Policy**

## **1. Who This Policy Applies To**

This policy applies to all swimmers, parents/guardians, coaches, volunteers, officials, spectators and visitors attending any Poseidon Lifesaving Club activity, training session, competition, camp or event.

## **2. Key Safety Rules**

Children have a right to privacy. No cameras or phones in changing areas. Photography only in approved public areas. Respect all members.

## **3. Phones and Cameras in Changing Areas**

No photography or filming. Devices switched off and stored away. Contact parents only outside changing area. Adults lead by example.

## **4. Photography and Filming at Training or Events**

- Parents/guardians may photograph or video their own child only from approved spectator areas.
- Anyone wishing to take photographs or videos at training sessions or events must sign the Photography Registration Sheet before taking any images.
- By signing, they acknowledge that photographs may be published on the club's social media platforms and website in accordance with the club's consent procedures.
- Coaches may use video for coaching purposes where approved.
- Images must be stored securely and deleted when no longer needed.
- Children's full names should not be published beside photographs without consent.
- The club may stop photography at any time if safeguarding concerns arise.
- Official photographers or media representatives require club or event organiser permission.

## **5. Social Media and Online Sharing**

Images or videos must not be shared without appropriate consent. No bullying or inappropriate content.

## **6. Reporting Concerns**

Report concerns to the Club Children's Officer, Welfare Officer or Head Coach/Event Lead. Serious concerns may also be reported to facility management, RLSS or An Garda Síochána where appropriate.

## **7. Breaches**

May result in warning, removal, suspension, referral to RLSS disciplinary procedures or statutory authorities.

## **8. Good Practice**

Respect privacy, challenge unsafe behaviour politely, report concerns and educate young members.

## **9. Policy Review**

Reviewed regularly by the club committee and safeguarding team to ensure it remains up to date with RLSS safeguarding guidance and best practice.

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