



OLDHAM

NETBALL CLUB



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Guidance for the taking and use of photographs and recorded images of children and young people

Oldham Netball Club adopts England Netball's guidance regarding the taking and use of photographs, videos and other recorded images of children and young people.

Introduction

Oldham Netball Club is committed to providing a safe and positive environment for all children and young people who participate in netball with the club.

As part of this commitment, we will take appropriate steps to protect children and young people from the inappropriate taking, sharing or use of their images in publications, promotional materials, online platforms, social media and elsewhere.

Oldham Netball Club recognises that photographs and videos are an important and positive part of sport. They allow players, parents/carers and the club to celebrate achievements, promote participation and share memorable moments. Recorded footage may also be used appropriately for coaching and player development.

The club does not wish to prevent parents/carers or spectators from taking legitimate photographs or videos. However, the welfare and safeguarding of all children and young people under the age of 18 remains our priority.

Obligations Under This Policy

Everyone involved with Oldham Netball Club must act in accordance with the principles of England Netball's Safeguarding Policies and its guidance relating to the taking and use of photographs and recorded images of young people.

This includes club officials, coaches, volunteers, players, parents/carers, spectators and anybody authorised to take photographs or recordings on behalf of the club.

Principles

- The welfare and best interests of children and young people participating in netball are paramount.
- Parents/carers and young people have the right to decide whether photographs or recordings are taken and how these images may be used.
- Appropriate consent must be obtained before images of children and young people are published or used by Oldham Netball Club.
- Images should promote positive aspects of netball, including participation, teamwork, achievement, fairness and enjoyment.
- Images must not be sexual, exploitative or otherwise inappropriate, nor should they be taken or used in a way that could reasonably be open to inappropriate interpretation or misuse.
- Where photography or filming is being undertaken officially on behalf of Oldham Netball Club, this should only be carried out by individuals authorised by the club.
- Photographs and recordings held by the club should be stored appropriately and securely.
- Particular care must be taken when publishing images online or on social media to avoid sharing unnecessary identifying information about a child or young person.
- Images must only be used for the purpose for which consent has been provided.
- Where consent has not been provided, Oldham Netball Club will take reasonable steps to ensure that identifiable images of that young person are not published or used by the club.

Any safeguarding concerns relating to photography, filming or the use of images should be reported to Oldham Netball Club's Safeguarding Officer as soon as possible.

Parent/Carer Photo and Video Consent

Oldham Netball Club recognises its responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children and young people participating in the club.

In accordance with England Netball's safeguarding guidance, Oldham Netball Club will seek appropriate consent before publishing or using identifiable photographs, videos or other recorded images of members under the age of 18.

Where consent is provided, photographs and recordings may be taken during training sessions, matches, tournaments, competitions, club events, presentation evenings and other activities associated with Oldham Netball Club.

The club will take reasonable steps to ensure that photographs and recordings are used only for legitimate club purposes and in accordance with the consent provided.

If a parent/carer, player or member becomes aware of an image being used inappropriately, they should contact the club's Safeguarding Officer immediately.

Member Photo and Video Consent

By providing consent for Oldham Netball Club to use photographs and/or recorded images of a member, you give permission for Oldham Netball Club to capture, reproduce and publish appropriate images or recordings featuring that member for legitimate club purposes.

Where appropriate, images may also be shared with approved third parties or affiliated organisations, such as England Netball, leagues, competition organisers or other netball clubs, where this relates directly to participation in or promotion of netball.

Images and recordings may be used for purposes including:

- Oldham Netball Club's website
- Oldham Netball Club's official social media channels
- Match, tournament and competition coverage
- Club promotional and recruitment materials
- Posters, flyers and other printed materials
- Newspapers, magazines and other media coverage
- Celebration of individual, team and club achievements
- Club newsletters and communications
- Coaching and player-development purposes, where appropriate

Oldham Netball Club will not knowingly use images of a child or young person for purposes outside the scope of the consent provided.

Parents/carers and members may contact the club if they wish to discuss or withdraw consent for future use of photographs or recordings. The club will take reasonable steps to stop using the relevant images in future publications and communications.

Social Media

Photographs and videos may be shared through Oldham Netball Club's official social media accounts where appropriate consent has been provided.

When publishing content involving children and young people, the club will consider the nature of the image, the information accompanying it and whether publication could create an unnecessary safeguarding risk.

Personal information about children and young people will not be unnecessarily published alongside photographs or videos.

Reporting Concerns

Anyone who has concerns regarding the taking, storage, sharing or use of photographs or videos involving a child or young person should report these concerns to Oldham Netball Club's Safeguarding Officer.

Any safeguarding concern will be managed in accordance with Oldham Netball Club and England Netball safeguarding procedures.