

## **SUNN PHOTOGRAPHY POLICIES**

## **PURPOSE**

There has been much talk about whether it is safe to have images taken of children participating in sports. While the great majority of images are appropriate and are taken in good faith, it is a fact that images can be misused and children can be put at risk if common sense procedures are not observed.

## **SUNN POLICIES**

- 1. The publishing of a photograph of an athlete under 18 years of age either on a notice board or in a published article or video recording (including video streaming) of swimming competitions ("publication") should only be done with parents' consent per the attached form.
- 2. A parent or guardian has a right to refuse to have their child(ren) photographed. The exercise of this right of refusal cannot be used as grounds for refusing entry into a swimming competition. Therefore, any photo that may go to press or on a notice board, be it through a member of the club or official photographer, should receive parental consent before publishing/displaying the photo, preferably in writing.

In the case of open meets and other competitions where the host club has an official photographer present, all parents attending should be made aware of this in the meet information. If photos are to be published anywhere, the individual parent should be given the opportunity to withhold their consent. Their right to do so should be specifically drawn to their attention.

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 may not be taken or retained where the photograph reveals a torn or displaced swimsuit.
- Photographs may not be taken from behind swimming blocks at the start of a race or exhibit a child climbing out of the swimming pool.
- Photographs may not be taken in locker-rooms or bathrooms.



## **SUNN Photography Consent Form**

Sunnyvale Swim Club (SUNN) may wish to take photographs (individual and in groups) of athletes under the age of 18 that may include your child during their membership in the club. All photos will be taken and published in line with club policy. The club requires parental consent to take and use photographs.

Parents/guardians have a right to re	efuse agreement to their child being photographed
As the parent/guardian of	, I allow the following:
SUNN may take photographs to us  Consent given	se on the club's secure website  Consent refused
SUNN may take photographs to in Consent given	clude with newspaper articles  Consent refused
SUNN may take photographs to us  Consent given	se on club notice boards  Consent refused
SUNN may video for training purpo Consent given	oses only Consent refused
Parent/Guardian's Name:	
Signature:	Dated: