



POLICY



PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEOGRAPHY POLICY

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to safeguard the privacy and safety of people participating in events managed or operated by Netball WA (NWA), West Coast Fever (WCF) or Shooting Stars (SS). It is designed to provide clarity on, and procedures for managing, photography/videography by any person at NWA events.

This policy aligns to NWA's child safeguarding responsibilities and is designed to enhance and clarify the child safeguarding principles outlined in Netball Australia's Member Protection Policy and the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations.

2. Responsibilities

The NWA Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is accountable for ensuring the policy is communicated and adopted across the organisation.

The relevant Manager is responsible for ensuring the operational implementation of this Policy.

3. Process

This policy will be reviewed annually in line with the NWA Policy Development process, to ensure that the criteria and procedures are effective in supporting the objectives and strategic and operational direction of the organisation.

4. Changes to This Policy

This Policy may be cancelled, amended, or supplemented by the NWA CEO as and when they see fit. Any variation or amendment will be given in writing by the CEO of NWA. This Policy will be reviewed annually as per the Netball in WA Policy Development Guidelines.



5. Definitions

Affiliates means Member Entities of NWA, being Associations, Clubs, Associate Members, and other approved Members of NWA, excluding Individuals and Life Members.

Attendees means all persons attending a NWA, WCF, or SS event.

Commercial Purposes means purposes that are intended to make a profit.

Event Officials means NWA staff members, security (where applicable), and any other person who has been delegated by NWA as an Event Official.

Manager means any NWA, WCF or SS manager, staff member or appointed workforce member that is managing the competition/event.

Members means financial Individual Members of NWA.

NiWA means Netball in WA.

NWA CEO means NWA Chief Executive Officer.

NWA Event means an event/s or activities including, but not limited to, competitions, education events, meetings, functions, seminars, or any other activity organised by NWA, WCF or SS.

Participant means any non-member playing in an NWA carnival or event.

Photography means the act of taking photographs, or video, which are still or moving images taken by a camera, mobile phone, or any other medium used to take still or moving images.

Policy means the Photography & Videography Policy unless otherwise specified.

Spectator/Guest means any individual in attendance at a NWA event that is not covered under any other definition.

Venue means any employee of the venue at which the event is taking place.

Volunteer means any individual in attendance volunteering assistance in any form to either NWA, Associations, Clubs, Teams, or other Associate Members.

6. Scope

This Policy applies to all affiliates, event officials, members, participants, spectators, guests, volunteers, and event officials at all NWA events.





These events include, but are not limited to, Gold Industry Group WA Netball League (GIG WANL), State Cup, Regional Championships, Fuel to Go & Play Association Championships, NAIDOC Netball Carnival, Multicultural Carnival and School Carnivals, corporate Netball Events, Clinics and Carnivals, Leadership Camps, Charity and other events.

7. Photography and Australian Law

In Australia, there are no laws specifically prohibiting photographing and filming people (including children) in public places. Photography and filming at sporting events is a legitimate activity. However, it is unlawful for photography and film to be taken that is:

- Indecent
- Defamatory
- Used to cyber bully
- Being used for voyeurism
- Protected by a court order, or
- Provocative or sexual in nature.

Not all outdoor or accessible places are public places, even though they may appear to be. Restrictions on photography and filming can be placed on individuals who are accessing private property.

8. Acquiring Images

NWA requires every person and organisation bound by this policy to obtain permission from a child's parent/guardian before taking an image of a child that is not their own. The purpose(s) for use of the image(s) should be made clear.

The relevant competition handbook/manual will outline the specific process in which NWA acquires consent to take images at that event, and the manner in which people can withdraw that consent.

All Members on registration to NWA will be required to provide or withdraw their consent to the acquisition of their image across all levels of competition and programming.

Attendees at an event are requested to respect the rights of professional photographers who have obtained the authority to photograph a particular NWA event.

Anyone taking photographs of children during a NWA event, whether by consent from NWA or for private purposes, should not have unsupervised access to any children at the activity.

It will be at NWA's discretion to determine whether adequate permission has been granted for the capture of photographs of children.





9. Restrictions

- a) Professional standard digital SLR style cameras with lenses greater than 200mm is not permitted at an NWA event unless prior approval has been granted from NWA and the person using the camera is wearing an identification pass or clothing provided by NWA.
- b) NWA acknowledges that family and friends may wish to take their own images, and this is supported if they are using 'Point & Shoot Cameras' for taking photos of their own family members or friends and the camera is within the restrictions listed in 9.a.
- c) No photography will be permitted under any circumstances in the restrooms or changing areas of stadiums and facilities where NWA events are being conducted.
- d) No photography shall be permitted of a game at an NWA competition where a red dot appears on the top of a score card.
- e) No photography from an NWA event shall be used for commercial purposes unless authorised by NWA.
- f) Indoor venues that are not operated by NWA may already have photography restrictions or guidelines in place by which, when users, NWA, its affiliates, and members must abide.

10. Displaying Images

No images of children under the age of 18 will be published by NWA unless the permission to do so has been sought and given by the child's legal guardian.

NWA and its affiliates shall not publish a person's name or personal information such as their residential address, email address, or telephone number with photographs unless prior permission has been sought and given.

No image taken at an NWA event shall be displayed or published for either direct or indirect commercial purposes unless authorised by NWA.

NWA recognises the promotional benefits of images and the popularity of social media, and therefore does not strictly prohibit the publication of images on social media by Members, family of Members, and Affiliates. NWA advises that discretion is taken if a person chooses to publish an image via social media.

11. Policy Breaches

NWA event officials are authorised to request users to cease using equipment which contravenes this policy and may remove any person in breach of this policy from an NWA event.

If anyone has concerns regarding people taking photographs at an NWA event, these should be raised with an NWA event official. If the person taking photographs is then unable to demonstrate to the NWA event official that they have legitimate reasons to do so, they will be asked to discontinue and may be asked to leave the venue.

NWA may impose a ban of any length to any person who is in breach of this policy. This ban may be imposed on attendance at a single event, multiple events, or any NWA event.



12. Related Documents

- [Netball WA Member Protection Policy](#)
- [National Principles for Child Safe Organisations](#)

Authorisation

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