



St. Albans and District Gymnastics Club

SAADI CHILD PROTECTION Procedure for the use of video, film or photography, at all sessions.

POLICY STATEMENT

Forward:

The vast majority of people involved in gymnastic activities derive their interest and pleasure from the performance and enjoyment shown by the children. SAADI Gymnastics Club by nature is a public activity which will include the recording of images of the participants by approved photographers. SAADI does not wish to discourage the use of photographic equipment during sessions, but we will take all reasonable precautions to protect members against the possible inappropriate use of films or photographic images. SAADI has therefore introduced procedures, which require all persons wishing to use video or photographic equipment at sessions, to apply for permission, prior to the session.

Procedure:

1. Any person wishing to engage in the use of video or photography must pre-register their intentions and proof of identification, to the Welfare Officer or Club Leader in charge of the session.
2. Members of the public/parents or members associated with the Club must complete the registration form and return this to Welfare Officer or Club Leader in charge of the session for inclusion on the pre-registration list.
3. At the session and following registration and proof of identity, a sticker with name and date will be issued. This must be worn during the event as proof of accreditation.
4. Failure to adhere to these criteria will result in the individual being required to remove the photographic equipment from the venue otherwise entry will be refused.
5. If the Club Leader/Welfare Officer or their representatives suspect inappropriate photography or filming they will inform the welfare Officer and request the person to leave the venue and to surrender any film relating to the event.

6. The list of registered persons will be retained by the Welfare Officer to be archived, to facilitate any future enquiries by police or social services.
7. The SAADI Welfare Officer will retain this Application Form with the information contained for an indefinite period.
8. The use of flash photography within the vicinity of the training session or event is prohibited.
9. **Mobiles:**
The use of mobile phones within the vicinity of the training area or event is also prohibited unless registered for the use as a photographic device only. All mobiles must be stored in silent or vibrate modes and calls answered outside the training/event areas.
10. A Statement regarding this policy and procedure will be displayed at the sessions/event.

Informed consent Statement

11. Qualified coaches or their representatives may record images which may be published. By participating in the training sessions or entering in the event, there is an acceptance that the children may be photographed for publishing on the SAADI website or in local sport newspapers. If parents do not wish for the images of their daughters to appear in the above articles, it is their responsibility to communicate their wishes in writing to the Welfare Officer.