



Ovington Junior Cricket Photography Policy

Introduction

Ovington Junior Cricket wishes to ensure photography and video footage taken within cricket is done so appropriately.

We do not believe that parents and carers should be prevented from taking pictures of, or filming, their children as these are normal family practices and help mark milestones in a child's life. We believe that the introduction of proportionate controls on the use of photographic equipment (cameras, and videos, including mobile phones) is part of general safeguarding good practice in any club.

Background

The club is keen to promote positive images of children playing cricket and is not preventing the use of photographic or videoing equipment. Photographs are considered 'personal data' in terms of the Data Protection Act. Consent from either the child, adult, or both should be sought before capturing, sharing or publishing images where a child can be identified, including posting on the club's website or via social media. In addition, as with all personal data, it should be processed in accordance with the principles laid out in the Data Protection Act, and other relevant legislation and guidance.

It is important to be aware that some people may use sporting events as an opportunity to take inappropriate photographs or film footage of children. As a club we should be vigilant about this. These individuals could attend the local cricket club allowing people to presume they are related to a child involved. Should anyone, whether a child or an adult, have any concerns during an event these should be reported to a club official.

It is also possible that if a picture and name was placed in the local paper, on the club website etc., this information could be used inappropriately. It is for this reason that we follow the ECB guidance that a child's picture and name should not appear together. There may be other reasons why individuals may not wish their child's photograph to be taken by someone they do not know personally, for example estranged parents looking to gain access to a child, or families that have fled abusive situations. As such it is imperative that parents/carers are offered the opportunity to withhold consent for photographs/filming of their child.

As a club we will do this by:

- Ensuring that photographs/images are not taken at matches or training without the prior permission of the parents/carers of the child. This permission can be given by proxy by the coach of each team only after parental consent for this has been granted via the membership form or via the club secretary data capture.
- The children should be informed a person will be taking photographs.
- The children should be informed that if they have concerns, they can report these to the coach or team manager.

- Concerns regarding inappropriate, or intrusive, photography should be reported to the Club Welfare Officer and recorded in the same manner as any other child protection or safeguarding concern.

Use of images of children (for example on the web, via social media, in the media or in league handbooks):

- Parental permission to use the child's image should be sought and, wherever possible, the image should be shown to the parents and child in advance. This ensures that they are aware of the way the image will be used to represent cricket and the club.
- The child's permission to use their image should be sought. This ensures they are aware of the way the image is to be used to represent cricket and the club.
- If the cricketer is named, avoid using their photograph. If a photograph is used, avoid naming the child.
- Only images of children in appropriate kit (training or competition) will be used, to reduce the risk of inappropriate use, and to provide positive images of the children.
- The reporting of inappropriate use of images of children will be encouraged. If you are concerned, report your concerns to the Club Welfare Officer.



Ovington Junior Cricket Social Media Policy

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Ovington Junior Cricket recognises that Social Media tools are an efficient and effective communication method, however, the use of Social Media may have negative impacts on the club and its members.

Ovington Junior Cricket Club does not discourage the use of Social Media, however, the members should recognise the possible hurt or damage they may cause the Ovington and its members and Cricket governing bodies, such as English Cricket Board (ECB).

Responsibility - Club

Ovington Junior Club information regarding social events, policies, game day results and rules may be communicated to members and the general public via any of the following social media platforms: WhatsApp, Facebook, Twitter, Email, Instagram, Snapchat, Stack Team App or via the club website.

Additionally, Ovington Juniors may will use social media platforms to communicate information relating to local businesses and sponsors who financially support the club.

Responsibility – Members & Parents

When interacting with or representing Ovington Juniors online, all members and parents are expected to show respect, protection and privacy for all those they interact with.

Ovington Members & Parents must not:

- Post material that is or might be construed as offensive, obscene, defamatory, threatening, discriminatory, hateful, racist, homophobic or sexist.
- Make statements which are misleading, false or defame the reputation of any members, fellow clubs or associations.
- Bring Ovington, Yorkshire or the ECB into disrepute.
- Offend, intimidate, humiliate or bully any member, club or association.
- Imply that you are authorised to speak on behalf of or as a representative of Ovington.
- Give the impression that the views you express are those of Ovington.
- Use the Ovington logo or name in any format without the clubs consent.
- Use the identity or likeness of another member of Ovington without their permission
- Use or disclose any confidential information or personal information obtained in your capacity as a member of Ovington

Non – Compliance

Any misuse of Social Media or breach of guidelines outlined will not be tolerated.

Any person that believes they are the victims of inappropriate use of Social Media should report it to the Club Welfare Officer or any Junior Committee Member (in writing or verbal) along with any evidence that may assist with an investigation.

Ovington will not be held liable for the acts of its members in breach of this policy. You the member, are solely responsible for your online conduct and will be liable in the event that action is brought against the club.

Members and/or Parents that fail to comply with this policy may be the subject of disciplinary action as deemed fit by the Ovington Executive.

Ovington may monitor the use of Social Media to ensure compliance with this policy.