



Mullingar Sailing Club

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Mullingar Sailing Club Photography and Video Policy

Taking photographs and video recordings of sailors and using web sites and social media to publicise Mullingar Sailing Club as part of Club events, races, training and coaching sessions are normal activities in club life. It's important that the Club can use such images to do justice to the sporting activities that take place under its domain but also the social and community spirit that is the hallmark of these activities. At the same time, in undertaking such activities, the Club subscribes to Sport Ireland's best practice principles on the use of photographic images and video recordings.

When adults join Mullingar Sailing Club, enrol on a sailing course or participate in an event, they are granting their consent for the possible taking and publication of photographs and video recordings of themselves in the promotion of the club and the sport.

When parents/guardians register their children as a member of Mullingar Sailing Club, enrol on a sailing course or participate in an event, they are granting their consent for the possible taking and publication of photographs and video recordings of their children in the promotion of the club and the sport and the use of such imagery in line with the specific guidelines applicable to photos and video recordings of children specified in the Club's Safeguarding Policy and outlined below.

- All children/young people featured in photos and video recordings must be appropriately dressed.
- The photograph or video recording should focus on the activity rather than on a particular young person.
- No personal details relating to a young person should be revealed as accompanying materials to the photograph or video recording.
- Instructors and designated volunteers (including the Officer of the Day) are permitted to use photographs and video recordings as a legitimate coaching aid and as a means of recording and sharing club activities and special occasions. Where a recording will be published on the club website, social media, local or national newspapers or distributed to parents or children, this should be notified beforehand to the Club Children's Officer. If the Children's Officer or the Committee are unhappy with any of the material they are entitled to withdraw their consent and destroy the material involved.
- Parents and spectators taking photographs/recordings should adhere to the general principles in this policy and be prepared to identify themselves if requested and state the purpose for their photography/filming. If Club representatives are unhappy about any matter relating to such photography the person can be asked to stop immediately.
- Group photographs may be taken but it is not necessary to match an underage sailor's name. The photograph may appear with the sailor's name recorded underneath but need not be in the order in which they appear in the photograph.
- It is recognised that on certain occasions individual young people may receive recognition and may be named when presented with an award. When this happens in the case of an under-age sailor any such photography or recording of events that involves individual presentations should be discussed in advance of the event and agreement reached with the club, parents and the young person themselves, as to what is and what is not permitted.
- Any instances of the use of inappropriate images of children should be reported to the Club's Children's Officer and/or Designated Person and also to the relevant statutory authorities as deemed appropriate.

Any adult participant in Club activities, or parent of a child participant, who does not wish for themselves and/or their child to be included in photographs or video recordings should inform the leader/organiser of the relevant activity.