



MJCC Stingrays

Stingrays Photography Policy

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.

POLICY

The MJCC Stingrays' publication of a photograph or video of swimmer under 18 in locations or mediums accessible to those outside of the team will only be done with parent's/legal guardian's consent as indicated on the registration form.

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 by the host team. If photos are to be published anywhere, the host team should give the individual parent the opportunity to withhold their consent.

Families should not share outside of the team, via social media or any other means, photographs that include swimmers outside of their family, unless they have specific permission to do so from the parent/guardian of all minors involved.

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.
- No photographs should not be taken or retained where the photograph reveals a torn or displaced swimsuit.
- Photographs must not be taken from behind swimming blocks at the start of a race or exhibit a child climbing out of the swimming pool from behind.
- Photographs must not be taken in locker rooms or bathrooms.