

## **Best Practice guidelines for Photographic / Recorded Images**

We would like to remind all units of the guidelines and best practise for use of photographic and recorded images as per the Code of Behaviour (Underage). During these uncertain times its important that all safeguarding measures are maintained to protect our young people.

<https://camogie.ie/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Code-of-Behaviour-Underage.pdf>

The key issues that we should address regarding the use of images and photographs of children/young people are:

- Ensuring agreement and permission of parents/ guardians in the taking and any use of images/ photographs
- Seeking such agreement as part of the annual membership affiliation process or by use of parental consent forms
- Avoiding the individual identification of children in group or team photographs unless by agreement e.g. for special events, an award or achievements ceremony
- Ensuring prior accreditation is given to ‘professional photographers’ who may attend your games or events
- Ensuring that images/photographs chosen are suitable and in good taste with the images chosen or recorded focussing on activity rather than a particular child
- Clubs, coaches and volunteers permitting the use of video equipment as a legitimate coaching aid and as a means of recording special occasions; however, care should be taken in the dissemination, storage and use of such material
- Parents and spectators taking photographs/recordings should where possible seek permission in advance from the Club/County Board and should also be prepared to identify themselves if requested and state the purpose for their photography/filming. If Club/County Board personnel are unhappy about any matter relating to such photography the permission granted may be withdrawn immediately