



# LYMINGTON CRICKET CLUB



## *Club Policy on Photography & Cameras*

**The ECB wishes to ensure photography and video footage taken within cricket is done so appropriately.**

Parents should not be prevented from taking pictures of, or filming, their children. These are normal family practices and help mark milestones in a child's life. 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 a club.

Every club will have different facility access which is why each club must create their own policy. A photocopy of this page is not a club policy nor is a blanket ban a proportionate response.

All clubs, and leagues, must read the guidelines below and create a policy from this guidance that is manageable within their own environments.

The ECB is keen to promote positive images of children playing cricket and is not preventing the use of photographic or videoing equipment. Some people may use sporting events as an opportunity to take inappropriate photographs or film footage of children. All clubs should be vigilant about this. These individuals could attend the local cricket club allowing people to presume they are related to a child involved. It is also possible that if a picture and name was placed in the local paper the information could be used as a 'grooming' tool. Any concerns during an event should be reported to a club official or event organiser. 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. Clubs must create a policy relating to the use of cameras during matches, training sessions and on other club occasions.

### **The guiding principles are:**

- Photographs/images are not to be 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. The coach must arrange this prior to attending matches
- If no consent has been given for a child on the player profile form, then it is to be made known to the relevant person of the other team (e.g. coach/team manager) so the appropriate person/s taking photographs for the other team is/are aware and can avoid taking photographs of that particular child



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[Lymington Cricket Club](#) will operate the following rules

Posters will be displayed in both Home/Away changing rooms banning the use of

✚ Mobile Phones

✚ Video/Cameras

Players contravening these rules will be requested to explain their actions to the Club's General Committee.

Captains/Colts Team Managers will be asked to implement our policy prior to the match commencing

Copies of the ECB Policy on Photography & Cameras will be emailed to all Colts parents at the start of the season

If any Colts players/parents have concerns please contact our Child Welfare Officer.