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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This policy provides guidance on the procedures that will support and underpin the collection and use of photographic/video images ('images') of young people within Netball Ireland (NI). It is important that all members, staff, volunteers, coaches and officials, or anyone working on behalf of NI (including via affiliated clubs) are aware of this policy and agree to the following terms.

For the purpose of all NI policy, 'young people/person' is defined as any person under 18 years of age.

2.0 PURPOSE

To protect the safety and welfare of all young people participating in NI activities by providing guidance regarding the appropriate collection and use (i.e. publication) of any images of young people.

3.0 SCOPE

NI collate and use images related to netball activity to administer and promote the sport of netball and the association. Such images can also be distributed to outside parties (e.g. Sport Ireland) for the same purpose.

This policy relates to the collection and use of images of young people at any NI activity/event (including on mobile devices) and is applicable to all NI members (including committee, players, clubs, coaches, team management) and volunteers working in a NI capacity.

4.0 ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

It is the responsibility of each relevant person (with respect to 3.0) to read, understand, and comply with this policy.

4.1 Netball Ireland

• Ensure that parents/guardians of young people have given prior consent for the collection and publication of images of their child/ren at NI events. This will be obtained via the NI Registration/Affiliation process (see NI-1017 Registration/Affiliation SOP for further reference) and, where applicable, the National Player Contract Under 18 (NI-3008).

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• Confirm that any images of young people will be used in a responsible manner – namely, for the promotion of netball.

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• Must inform all relevant parties (particularly all coaches/team management and event organisers) if any parent/guardian has not given their consent for images of their child/ren to be collected or published.

4.2 Child Protection Officer (CPO)

Will ensure this policy is available to all relevant persons via the NI website.

4.3 Coaches and Team Management (TM) personnel for:

- 4.3.1 National squads must be identified to the CPO and will be required to complete a NI Child Safeguarding Declaration (NI-3002) to be returned to the CPO by 30th September every year.
- 4.3.2 Affiliated clubs must be identified by the Club Children's Officer (CCO) and will be required to complete a NI Child Safeguarding Declaration to be returned to the CCO by 30th September every year.

5.0 PROCEDURE

Images of young people participating in netball activities can be collected at NI events and published on NI's website and social media platforms and can also be distributed to other netball-related organisations (e.g. Netball Europe) and media publications for publication in print or online (websites, social media).

- **5.1** All persons to whom this policy is applicable (as outlined in 3.0) will take all steps to ensure that any images taken/collected are used solely for the purposes they are intended i.e. to endorse the sport of netball and to promote/celebrate the activities of NI/the affiliated club.
- **5.2** If a person becomes aware that images of young people are being used inappropriately, they should inform the relevant person (either CCO or NI's CPO).
- 5.3 Images of young people published on NI's website/social media and/or distributed to relevant outside organisations/publications are solely for the promotion/celebration of netball in Ireland. NI and affiliated clubs cannot take responsibility for images/material published online or in print by websites/social media platforms/publications outside of NI. See NI's Social Media Policy (NI-1030) for further reference.
- **5.4** NI volunteers and members are reminded that, if they publish/distribute images containing young people that they are not directly responsible for; they must have prior consent of the young person and their parent/guardian.
- **5.5** All images of young people should be securely stored (see NI-1007 GDPR Policy and NI-1031 Storage of Competition Photographs SOP).
- **5.6** With reference to 4.1, if a parent/guardian does not consent to images of their child/ren being collected or published, NI will open a line of communication with the parents/guardians about this refusal and endeavour to ensure that these wishes are respected and implemented.

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6.0 VIDEOING AS A COACHING AID

Video recording can be used as a legitimate coaching aid. However, permission should first be obtained from the young person's parent/guardian (as per 4.1).

Where used for coaching purposes, players and parents/guardians should be made aware it is part of the coaching programme and be clear of the purpose of filming as a coaching aid.

7.0 DOCUMENT HISTORY

Version 01: NI Child Protection Policy 2015 (Extract)

Version 02: Photographic/Video Images of Young People Policy

8.0 ABBREVIATIONS & DEFINITIONS

NI Netball Ireland

Images Photographic and video images

CPO Child Protection Officer
CCO Club Children's Officer
TM Team Management

SOP Standard Operating Procedure
GDPR General Data Protection Regulation

Young people/person: any person under 18 years of age.

<u>Sport Ireland</u>: the authority tasked with the development of sport in the Republic of Ireland.

<u>Netball Europe</u>: the regional body within World Netball that governs netball across Europe.

<u>World Netball</u>: the worldwide governing body for the sport of netball (formerly International Netball Federation, or INF).

9.0 REFERENCE

NI-1007 GDPR Policy

NI-1017 Registration/Affiliation (SOP)

NI-1030 Social Media Policy

NI-1031 Storage of Competition photographs (SOP)

NI-3002 Child Safeguarding Declaration

NI-3008 National Player Contract Under 18