

LANSDOWN HOCKEY CLUB

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PHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGES POLICY

Whilst Lansdown Hockey Club (LHC) and England Hockey (EH) recognise that publicity and pictures of young people enjoying hockey are essential to promote the sport and a healthy lifestyle, inappropriate pictures can be intrusive and upsetting. Hockey is generally regarded as a low risk sport in respect of such inappropriate photographic images, but Lansdown Hockey Club is aware of the associated issues and has produced these guidelines.

In addition, with the creation of small cameras, for example in mobile phones, the use of hockey venues falling outside LHC control and the volume of spectators with freedom of movement, it is a very difficult area to control and monitor effectively. Whilst we must acknowledge the fact that photographs are inevitable it is to be hoped that all those associated with LHC will observe these guidelines.

Accordingly, LHC would like the co-operation of all members to ensure the following rules are observed for the safety and respect of Junior Members in particular:

- Written parental permission must be gained prior to any photographs being taken of junior members of LHC
- Personal details which might make a young person vulnerable, such as their full name and exact address, should never be revealed when publishing any photographic image
- Anyone taking photographs or recording at any hockey event under LHC jurisdiction must have a valid reason for doing so and seek the permission of the organisers/persons in charge. They should make themselves known to the event organisers/persons in charge and be able to identify themselves if requested during the course of the event
- All concerns regarding inappropriate or intrusive photography should, in the first instance, be reported in confidence to the Coach, Captain and/or Manager who will report all incidences to the Child Welfare Officer (CWO) and deal with the matter in line with LHC Policy
- Anyone taking a photographic image must understand that they can be challenged by LHC members or, indeed, another spectator

Signed (Club Chair): Date

Print Name:

Signed (Club Secretary):..... Date

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