



Photography, Recording and Publishing Images Policy

Parents, Carers and Spectators

Tennis Buddies allows parents, carers and spectators to use photographic equipment to capture other members, children or friends playing tennis to support and encourage their experience. In most cases photographs will be taken by a responsible official, such as a member and this policy applies to members as well as non-members.

By agreeing to our membership, terms & conditions, camp terms and conditions, attending an open day, or booking coaching through Tennis Buddies, you are giving consent to a Tennis Buddies representative to photograph or film, (using a regular camera, mobile phone camera or video camera without a long lens). You or your child during Tennis Buddies activities, including events, tournaments and coaching for Tennis Buddies archive or promotional use. If you do not agree to this please inform the Tennis Administrator (details below).

If any member, be it parent, carer or spectator has concerns about inappropriate photography, this should be reported immediately to the event organiser, official or welfare officer, who will follow the appropriate child protection procedures.

Professionals, Competition Organisers and Officials

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If you see any individual taking photographs which you deem to be intrusive or inappropriate you must inform the Tennis Administrator who will deal with this using this policy or the Tennis Buddies Child Protection Policy.

Children and Young People

According to this policy, Tennis Buddies gives consent for an official Tennis Buddies photographer (who might be a member) to take photos when you are on court.

If you see someone taking photos or filming that makes you feel worried, tell the event organiser, responsible person or Welfare Officer without delay.

Consent

If you wish to take photographs or recordings of members or children at an event, prior to any event, you must ensure you have obtained consent verbally from:

- ✓ The event organiser;

In order to obtain consent, you must explain why you are taking the images and what they will be used for.

Photographing and Recording

All children featured in photographs or recordings must be:

- ✓ Appropriately dressed with clothing covering their torso from their neck to thighs, e.g. a t-shirt and shorts or skirt;
- ✓ Featured with people engaging in tennis;
- ✓ Recorded in groups with other children or adults where possible;

Any inappropriate use of images should be reported to the Tennis Buddies Tennis Administrator without delay.

Photographing and Recording in Public Spaces

There is no law specifically prohibiting the photography of individuals (including children) in public places.

Subject to the below, individuals are permitted to:

- ✓ Take photos of people including children without the consent of the parents/legal guardians, using a normal lens; and



- ✓ Keep photos taken, however, if the person wishes to publish a recognisable image of the child, they are required to gain consent from the parents/legal guardian.

The approach that Tennis Buddies has taken with regards to Photography and Imagery is permitted, provided the behaviour does not amount to harassment or a breach of privacy. Whether the behaviour amounts to harassment or a breach of privacy will depend on the facts in each case.

In practice, you might not want to get into whether there has been a breach of privacy or if the conduct amounted to harassment. If an individual is taking photographs in a public space and this is making the children, coach or parents uncomfortable, it is best to approach the photographer and politely request they stop taking photographs and remind them they are required to gain consent from parents if they wish to publish any photos.

If the photographer has a long lens, they should be informed they are not allowed to use this when taking photos of people in public spaces.

Publishing Images

Tennis Buddies will use photos solely for the use of Tennis Buddies either on Tennis Buddies website or other social media activity, posters or other promotional activity as deemed appropriate by the Web Editor or responsible Director.

All children featured can only be:

Identified using their first name, although it is preferable that their name is not given;

Shown engaging in tennis activities.

Coaching

Coaches, teachers and others may use video equipment as a legitimate coaching method. Tennis players and their parents or carers should be made aware this forms part of the tennis programme and that any recording will be destroyed after use.

If you have any queries about this policy please contact:

Tennis Buddies Administrator & Data Protection Officer – David Williams

Welfare Officer – Corrine Clare