

## **HARINGEY AQUATICS**

Policies and Procedures: Photography Guidance

Haringey Aquatics is committed to providing an environment in which all children participating in its activities have a safe and positive experience.

It is very important that members understand Swim England Photography Guidance (for both still photographs and videos).

This guidance, to which all Haringey Aquatics members are expected to adhere while engaging in club activity at any venue, is set out in the Swim England Wavepower document (pages 86-88). <u>Wavepower, 2020-23</u>

The Wavepower document and our Code of Conduct for athletes are clear - members should not use smart phones or any other device to take photographs or video others in the changing rooms or cubicles. Code of Conduct for members (athletes)

Through our ongoing dialogue with Swim England and the London Region, we have learned of a small number of incidents at other Aquatics clubs in which children have tried and succeeded in taking images (still photographs and videos) of other children in the process of changing, in changing villages or under/over changing cubicles.

Haringey Aquatics takes any inappropriate use of devices for photography very seriously and will report any concerns regarding their misuse to Swim England, in accordance with Wavepower guidance.

Parents and carers are asked to ensure their children understand this guidance and our Code of Conduct for members in relation to inappropriate photographs and videos taken of any members anywhere, and particularly in the changing areas of any facilities the club uses. Any images that are deemed indecent will be referred to the police.

More generally, Swim England have provided information to empower children to speak up if there is anything they are not happy about. <u>Safeguarding resources for children</u>

If you have any queries or concerns regarding the content of this policy please contact Cressida Harden, our club's Welfare Officer, welfare@haringeyaquatics.org.uk.

