



## FREMANTLE NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC

### PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO FOOTAGE POLICY

Reviewed & Adopted 6/4/2010

#### A) INTENT OF POLICY

The policy is to ensure that Fremantle Netball Association (Inc) [hereafter referred to as FNA] provides guidelines for Clubs, parents and club supporters in relation to the photography and video footage of children (i.e. under 18 years of age) whether for personal reasons, as a coaching tool or for Club purposes.

#### B) POLICY BACKGROUND AND RATIONALE

FNA has a responsibility to manage the photography and video footage of children (under the age of 18) as part of our risk management as the organizer of the netball competition at Gibson Park. Photography and video footage should only be required at FNA sanctioned events for three purposes:

- Participants and family personal use;
- Player / Umpire training development;
- Club / Association promotion and publicity

This Policy is an FNA domestic policy covering competitions conducted at Gibson Park Reserve, High Street, Fremantle, which is classified as public open space. Photographing and videoing people in a public place is not illegal as long as the subject is not compromised – e.g. undressed.

#### C) HOW THE POLICY WORKS

1. It is the Club's responsibility to ensure officials, parents and supporters are aware of the FNA Photography and Video Footage Policy. This could be via Club Newsletters, FNA fixture book and FNA Web Site.
2. It is the Club's responsibility to ensure their Club officials are aware of any members under the age of 18, who via the direction of their parent/guardian are not to be photographed or videoed.
3. Respectfully FNA requests all clubs to take a common sense approach to this issue, particularly when a request is made not to record images. We have FNA members protected by court order (e.g. child custody) and these children must be protected.

#### D) THE POLICY

1. If a club official/ parent/ supporter wishes to take photographs or video footage of a match (involving players under the age of 18) permission is to be obtained from the opposition team official/s (coach or manager).
2. If permission is not given, please respect and observe the request of the opposition team members and do not proceed with photography or video footage.
3. If there is any dispute or disagreement in relation to photography and videoing on a game, the game should not commence and an Executive official of FNA shall attend and resolve the situation.
4. Concerns regarding inappropriate photography or videoing on the grounds should be reported to the FNA event office and FNA will be responsible to address this matter.
5. Should member/s of the media or professional photographers be present on the grounds acquiring images they shall wear an official FNA Media jacket.

Department of Sport and Recreation – Position Statement

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