

Arizona Tritons Media & Photography Policies

There has been much talk about whether it is safe to have images and/or videos taken of children participating in sports. While the great majority of images are appropriate and are taken in good faith, it is a fact that images can be misused and children can be put at risk if common-sense procedures are not observed.

POLICIES

1. The publishing of a photograph of swimmer under 18 either on a notice board or in a published article or video recording (including video streaming) of swimming competitions ("publication") should only be done with parents' consent per the attached form.
2. A parent or guardian has a right of refuse to have children photographed or videoed. The exercise of this right of refusal cannot be used as grounds for refusing entry into a swimming competition. Therefore, any photo that may go to press or on a notice board, be it through a member of the club or official photographer, should receive parental consent before publishing/displaying the photo, preferably in writing.

In the case of open meets and other competitions where the host club has an official photographer present, all parents attending should be made aware of this in published meet information. If photos or videos are to be published anywhere, the individual parent should be given the opportunity to withhold their consent. Their right to do so should be specifically drawn to their attention.

All photographs and videos must observe generally accepted standards of decency in particular:

- Action shots must be a celebration of the sporting activity and not a sexualized image in a sporting context.
- Action shots/footage must not be taken or retained where the photograph or video reveals a torn or displaced swimsuit.
- Photographs & videos must not be taken from behind swimming blocks at the start of a race or exhibit a child climbing out of the swimming pool.
- Photographs and videos must not be taken in locker-rooms or bathrooms.

Arizona Tritons and Triton Elite Coaching Services may wish to take photographs or videos (individual and in groups) of swimmers under the age of 18 that may include your child during their membership in the club. All photos and videos will be taken and published in line with club policy. The club requires parental consent to take and use photographs and videos.

Parents have a right to refuse agreement to their child being photographed or videoed.



Arizona Tritons Media & Photography Release

Arizona Tritons may photograph, film, or record swimmers and team activities for the purposes of team promotion, education, recognition, and community engagement. This release ensures the team has consent to capture and use such materials appropriately.

By signing below, I hereby grant permission for **Arizona Tritons**, its coaches, staff, volunteers, and authorized representatives to:

- **Capture** photographs, videos, or audio recordings of my child during any team-related practices, meets, or events.
- **Use and reproduce** these materials, including my child's **image, likeness, name, and voice**, in printed or digital formats such as flyers, newsletters, websites, social media, press releases, and promotional or educational materials.
- **Distribute or share** such materials with third parties (e.g., local news outlets or partner organizations) for legitimate promotional or coverage purposes.

I understand that these images and recordings may appear publicly and that no financial compensation will be provided.

As the **parent/caregiver** of _____, I allow the following:
(swimmer name)

Take photographs or videos to use on the club's secure website and/or social media properties:

- ☐ Consent given
- ☐ Consent refused

Take photographs to include on in local newspaper articles, including online news publications:

- ☐ Consent given
- ☐ Consent refused

Take photographs to use on club notice boards and emails:

- ☐ Consent given

- ☐ Consent refused

Take videos for training purposes only:

- ☐ Consent given
☐ Consent refused

Acknowledgment

I have read and understood this release. I am the parent or legal guardian of the named athlete and have the authority to grant this permission.

Legal Guardian Signature: _____, Date: _____

Contact Email (optional): _____

Please return this form to: Head Coach, Arizona Tritons & Triton Elite Coaching Services,
tritonelitecoachingservices@gmail.com