

# What is 'informed consent'?

Informed consent is a process whereby participants are informed and asked for their permission or agreement prior to taking photographs or recording images. Individuals should be informed of:

- the purpose(s) the image will be used for, and
- the people/bodies to whom it might be transferred.

The individual should be asked for their prior written consent. Where images may be used for a variety of purposes (e.g., documenting, promoting or celebrating through press coverage, websites, prospectuses etc.), consent for each purpose and/or in a variety of settings (e.g., reports, public media, or websites) should be obtained on an "opt-in" basis.

For example:

We would like to take photos/digital images of your child and use them for the following purposes. Do you give your consent as parent/guardian for us to do each of the following:

Tick box if "yes" you agree with these uses

Use on our IKC website?

Use in Canine Publications ?

Use at IKC licenced Dog Events?

Retain in IKC archives?

We would also like to transfer photos//digital images of your child to the Canine Newspapers/Websites, for use in a piece celebrating the IKC events. Do you give your consent for us to transfer these images to Canine Newspapers/Websites for these purposes?

Tick box if "yes" you permit this transfer

Yes, I give my consent

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian (where over 18 years)

# **Guidlines and Code of Conduct for Parents / Guardians**

**Parents/guardians have the primary responsibility for the care and welfare of their children.**

**They should encourage their children to participate in sport for fun and enjoyment and should ensure that their child's experience of sport is a positive one.**

**Parents should always remember that children play sport for their own enjoyment, not for that of the parents/guardians.**

**Parents/guardians and leaders will ideally work in partnership to promote good practice in the Club and to support all efforts to protect the children against all forms of abuse.**

**They should ensure that the Club treats their children with fairness, respect and understanding, and that it is fulfilling its responsibility to safeguard children by ensuring the Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children's Sport is being implemented in the Club.**

**They should encourage their children to tell them about anyone causing them harm or to feel upset.**

**They should become aware of Club procedures and policies, in particular, where changes are made that affect them or their children and be informed of all matters relating to ethics and good practice.**

**\* Parents/guardians should remember that children learn best by example.**

**To assist in the promotion of good practice within the Club they should:**

**Be encouraged to become members of the Club and to contribute their time and effort in the daily running of the Club. No Club can operate successfully without their help**

**Be available if and when required to assist.**

**Be aware of the code of Ethics for Young People in Sport.**

**Be aware of the relevant Judges/Stewards/Organisers and their role within the Club**

**Show respect for Coaches/Teachers and their decisions.**

**Be informed of the training and/or competitive programmes.**

**Ensure that the environment is safe and enjoyable for their child/ren**

**Encourage their child/ren in fair play**

**Behave responsibly at IKC events.**

**Focus on their child/ren's efforts rather than performance**

**Focus on the fun and participation of their child/ren in the activity.**

**Liaise with the organisers in relation to the times/locations of events, medical conditions of their child/ren and any other requirement for their child's safety.**

**Avoid communicating with Judges/Stewards during competitions, organise time to speak to them outside these times.**

**Ensure their child/ren arrive on time for competitions.**

**Have a right to have their comments and suggestions considered and their complaints acknowledged and dealt with as they arise through an effective and confidential complaints procedure.**

**Accept that The Irish Kennel Club is not a baby-sitting service be responsible for their child/ren's safety.**

**Not leave their child/ren waiting unsupervised at IKC events at any time**

**Ensure their child/ren are always in possession of direct contact information should this be required for any reason**

**Adhere to rules/guidelines in relation to the possession and use of mobile phones, picture mobiles, cameras and video cameras**

**Adhere to rules and regulations of The Irish Kennel Club**

**I have read, understand and accept the terms of the Code of Conduct for Parents/Guardians.**

**Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date**

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**Print Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_**