



Netball-related media examples

No one should be taking photos or filming children and young people playing Netball without a valid reason. If a complaint is made or consent is not given for filming or photography to take place, then the person should be asked to stop immediately, or, if possible, exclude the child or young person in any photography or filming moving forward.

Situation 1: A parent (who is known to you) is filming/taking photos of their child's Netball game or training.

This is a common occurrence at Netball and usually occurs for genuine reasons. Most of the time, this is acceptable as we want to celebrate playing Netball, having fun and being involved. Parents are able to take photos of their own child. However, if you receive a complaint from another parent that they don't want their child filmed/photographed, then you are encouraged to speak to the parent who is filming in a friendly tone and remind them that not all children/young people's images are able to be taken and consent has been refused for some children and ask them to stop.

Situation 2: An unknown adult is taking photos of a child or young person's Netball game or training.

It is recommended that you go over and start a friendly conversation to find out who they are and why they are taking photos. Depending on their answer, e.g. they may be taking photos of their niece or nephew, which is OK. It is recommended you verify this information if you are not sure or the child/young person is unknown to you and that you tell them you will do this. If you receive a complaint that they are taking photos of children/young people other than their own, follow the process in situation 1 above.

Situation 3: A student is filming or taking photos of their school Netball team playing against another school Netball team.

With the popularity of social media, this is an increasingly common occurrence. If the student is taking photos of their team-mates or filming their friends so they can watch them back, this may be an acceptable reason.

However, if they are filming the opposition or you believe that any form of harassment or bullying may be occurring, or you receive a complaint, you are able to ask them to stop. If they decline, you are able to involve the School Co-ordinator if you feel it is necessary. Good judgement is needed here.

Situation 4: A school team manager is filming their team playing another team during a Netball game.

The school team manager doing the filming should, ideally, ask permission from the opposition to film the game. If the opposition team state that they have children/young people in their team who cannot be filmed for any reason, that request should be respected, and the school team manager should stop or be asked to stop filming. If they decline, you are able to involve the School Co-ordinator or Centre staff if you feel it is necessary.