



Paseo Aquatics Photo Policy & Release

Purpose

There has been much discussion around whether it is safe to have images taken of children participating in sports. While most images are appropriate and taken in good faith, it is a fact that images can be misused and children may be put at risk if common-sense procedures are not followed. Paseo Aquatics is committed to protecting our athletes by setting clear standards for photography. Please read and opt-in or opt-out below.

Photography Policy

Parental Consent Required

- Publishing photographs or video recordings (including streaming) of swimmers under 18 on notice boards, in articles, or in competition coverage requires parental consent using the attached form.

Right to Refuse

- Parents or guardians have the right to refuse consent for their child to be photographed.
- Exercising this right cannot be used as grounds to deny entry into a swim competition.
- Any photos intended for publication or display, whether by a club member or an official photographer, must have prior parental consent, preferably in writing.

Official Event Photography

- At open meets or other competitions where an official photographer is present, parents must be informed in meet information materials.
- If photos will be published, parents must be offered the opportunity to withhold consent. This right must be explicitly communicated.

Standards of Decency

- Action shots should celebrate athletic achievement, never sexualize the athlete.
- No photos should be taken or kept if a torn or displaced swimsuit is visible.
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- No photos may be taken from behind starting blocks at race starts, or of athletes exiting the pool.
 - No photos may be taken in locker rooms or bathrooms.
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Photography Consent Form

Paseo Aquatics may take photographs (individual and group) of swimmers under 18 during membership. Photos will only be used in line with club policy and with parental consent.

A parent or legal guardian must sign this photography release form for EACH swimmer of Paseo Aquatics, Inc., and Paseo Aquatics Sports LLC. If the swimmer is 18 years of age or older, the swimmer must also sign this form.

Parents and/or athletes have the right to refuse consent at any time.

OPT IN

I, _____ (*print name of adult*) give permission for Paseo Aquatics, Inc., Paseo Aquatics Sports LLC, and its staff to use pictures of my child, _____, (*print name of swimmer*) for Paseo Aquatics, Inc. and Paseo Aquatics Sports LLC official website, social media, PR/news and printed materials.

OPT OUT

I _____ (*parent name*) do not consent to use the likeness of my swimmer in any form.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Athlete Name (*if 18 and over*): _____

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