

Picture Consent

At the turn of the millennium, both the Irish Sports Council and the Sports Council for Northern Ireland published a joint Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children's Sport. This major joint publication recognised the commitment of both Councils to ensure that young people are safeguarded in their participation in sport in the island of Ireland. This Code has been adopted and implemented by governing bodies of sports, clubs, local sports partnerships and community/voluntary groups on an on-going basis since its publication.

In recent years with the advancements in the new media technology, both the Irish Sports Council and the Sports Council for Northern Ireland have begun to recognise the influence of digital media on child protection issues. The United Striders Athletic Club is no different. Recent events have now brought attention to issues surrounding the publication of photographs of children in the online domain and highlighted numerous concerns surrounding such matters. We as an organization have carefully considered these issues and recognize the need to protect all members of our organization and in particular those under 18 years of age regarding such matters.

With this in mind, the United Striders Athletic Club would appreciate if you would consider signing the following consent form. This form requests parents to allow the United Striders Athletic Club to utilize pictures of their child/children for publication on our website and Facebook social media site. It is intended that any such pictures will be used merely to publicize the accomplishments and activities of our athletes. It must be noted that at no stage will the name or age of your child be published with these photographs for protection purposes. Should you choose not to consent to this matter, at no stage will any picture of your child/children appear on the clubs website or Facebook social media site.

Yours in sport,

Patrick Delaney / Catherine Ronan

Child Safety Officers, United Striders AC.

Road Running Consent

Occasionally the club take Juvenile athletes outside the regular training environments of the Town Park track and the CBS Park, for road running training sessions. At all times the club will ensure :

- That there is adequate supervision
- That the distance / route of the run is appropriate to the athletes age & ability
- That the athletes will be provided with Hi-Viz vests
- That the route is in accordance with the insurance requirements of the Athletics Association of Ireland

This form requests parents to allow the United Striders Athletic Club bring their child / children on road running sessions. Should you choose not to consent to this matter, at no stage will your child / children be brought on road running sessions.

Code Of Conduct For Parents / Guardians

The success of the United Striders Athletics Club, in recent years, has largely been built on the input and involvement of parents. The club requests all parents to abide by the following code of conduct guidelines :

- Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials
- Help your child recognise good performance, not just results
- Never force your child to take part in sport
- Set a good example, by recognising fair play and applauding good performances of all
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes
- Publicly accept officials' judgements
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport
- Use correct and proper language, at all times
- Encourage and guide performers to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour

Annual Registration

Name 1 : _____ **Male / Female** (Please circle) **Date Of Birth :** _____

Name 2 : _____ **Male / Female** (Please circle) **Date Of Birth :** _____

Name 3 : _____ **Male / Female** (Please circle) **Date Of Birth :** _____

Address : _____

Parent / Guardian Home Phone : _____

Parent / Guardian Mobile Phone : _____ (used for club text notifications)

Parent / Guardian Email : _____ (used for club email notifications)

Please provide a copy of Passport page or Birth Cert as official proof for each athletes date of birth.

Note : Only registered athletes are covered by the club insurance scheme.

Note : Only athletes aged 7 years old and upwards, may register.

Note : Registration Fee - €20 per member

Signature of Consent

- I give permission to the United Striders Athletic Club to utilize pictures of my child/children on their website and social media sites (as outlined above).
- I give permission to the United Striders Athletic Club to bring my child/children on road running sessions (as outlined above).
- I agree to abide by the *Code Of Conduct For Parent / Guardians* (as outlined above).
- I wish to register the names listed above, as members of the United Striders Athletic Club.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Date: _____