**SUTTON & DISTRICT ATHLETIC CLUB**

**PHOTOGRAPHY POLICY**

It is not our intention to prohibit those with a legitimate interest in filming or photographing their children or young people’s participation in sport. The details below are guidelines to ensure inappropriate use of photograph images. We aim to ensure:

• Conformity with the Data Protection Act 1998.

• That children/young people, parents/carers and organisations have control over images. • Unsuitable people do not misuse their attendance at sporting activities to obtain images of children/young people.

• Prevention of unsuitable use of images or inappropriate representation of the sport from being used.

• Protection of the identity of children/young people who may be vulnerable through the publication of their personal details.

Sutton & District AC Club Events – Photography & Filming

At many of the club events or matches where our athletes attend there will be present a professional photographer/cameraperson who has been hired to promote the match, their service and to record athletes successes. It is now common practice at meetings that organisers often don’t ask spectators to sign in unless trackside. If you would not like your child to be filmed you must contact the Meeting organiser. In addition, you must inform the Sutton & District Team Manager on the day if you do not want images taken by the press or used for promotional purposes on media sites such as club facebook and twitter.

A number of venues will still ask that anyone taking photos/videos do sign in and they will be asked to wear a label. Please ensure you check on arrival at the venue their policy or check with the Team Manager. Please be aware that if you have signed in and wish to take photographs of your own child please be aware that those who inadvertently become part of your photograph may not wish for their images to be used on social network sites etc. We would recommend cropping the image so only your child/young person is present.

If you do not wish your child to be photographed please also tick the membership form.

Photography by Club Coaches:

Coaches will often wish to record images of the athletes to enable them to discuss corrections, performance etc. Please ensure that you have given the coach your permission to do this. This is stated on the club membership form. If the form is not ticked for non-agreement then it will be assumed that permission has been given.

Club Photographer: Sutton & District AC – Our official photographer is Steve O’Sullivan. Steve can be contacted at <http://www.steveosullivanphotography.co.uk> regarding purchase of images. If you have a photograph that you wish to add to our social media please contact Mandy on clubsecretarysutton@live.co.uk.

If you have Welfare concerns regarding photography whether at a track meeting or club night please do contact our Team Manager or the League Organiser at the match or Club Welfare Officers (club nights) immediately.