

## **Gymnastics Australia Photography Policy**

Images of people enjoying Gymnastics are part of the sport's historical culture and identity.

Gymnastics Australia is mindful of its duty of care to our members, with best intentions of protecting children and young people from potential risk. In keeping with a number of local municipalities in Australia and also leading sports organisations worldwide, Gymnastics Australia implements a Photography Policy which will be applicable and enforced at all Gymnastics Australia events.

The greater ease of taking and modifying images has raised concerns in today's society about the potential risks of child abuse posed directly and indirectly to children and young people through the inappropriate use of photographs on sports websites and in publications.

Therefore, with the exception of Winkipop Media personnel and accredited members of the press, DIGITAL SLR CAMERAS AND/OR LENSES OF A PROFESSIONAL STANDARD will not be permitted within the confines of any venue that hosts a Gymnastics Australia-run event.

Gymnastics Australia acknowledges that family and friends wish to take their own images for memories from Championships and this is supported if using a mobile phone 'point and shoot' model camera.

No professional standard digital cameras and/or lenses may be used at an event. Gymnastics Australia staff and event officials, as well as Winkipop Media personnel, are authorised to request users to cease using this equipment.

Please note that the above policy applies to ALL who are present at the event, including ensure that State Team members and other team officials.