

San Antonio Wave Photography and Video Recording Policy

Section 1: San Antonio Wave Members, Parents and Staff

For the purposes of this policy, photography shall include photography and videography.

Coaches may use photographs and video for education/training, communication and promotional purposes.

NO CAMERAS OF ANY KIND MAY BE USED IN THE LOCKER ROOMS FOR ANY REASON.

NO CAMERAS OF ANY KIND MAY BE USED BEHIND STARTING BLOCKS WHEN SWIMMERS ARE USING THE STARTING BLOCKS.

When posting photos or videos online, extreme care must be taken to protect the privacy of our swimmers, and such photos and/or videos should only be used to showcase/promote the Club or the swimmer's achievements or Club sanctioned events.

Parents are not permitted to take photos or video during practice.

Swimmers are to be identified only by their first initial and their last name in any Club related postings.

The parents or guardians of an athlete may request that their child's individual photo may not be used online. A suggested form allowing parents to indicate refusal of consent is located at the end of the document. Please sign and return to our Web Admin. However, their image may still appear in Club marketing materials or on the website in group and/or team pictures.

Section 2: Non-San Antonio Wave Staff, Visitors or Professionals

Photographers covering a USA Swimming event hosted or sponsored by San Antonio Wave may be assigned photo positions by either a designated photo chief or a San Antonio Wave Meet Director, Board Member or Communications Director. All photographers are required to abide by the following rules.

Event Rules for all Photographers

- NO CAMERAS OF ANY KIND MAY BE USED IN THE LOCKER ROOMS FOR ANY REASON.
- NO CAMERAS OF ANY KIND MAY BE USED BEHIND THE STARTING BLOCKS DURING THE MEET/EVENT.
- A San Antonio Wave Representative will manage and assign photo positions, enforce rules and troubleshoot. Photographers are expected to follow this direction.
- Photographers positioned on deck on the sides of the pool must stay in position during all races. Movement is only allowed between races. Any photographer who does not observe this rule may lose his/her position.
- On deck photographers will defer completely to the wishes of the on-deck officials. –The Meet Referee is in charge of the deck area during the meet and his/her decision regarding deck access and use of camera/video equipment on deck is final.
- Photos may be used for editorial purposes only unless provided express written consent by USCS.
- Photographers are prohibited from capturing any video footage without signed consent. The capture and public rebroadcast or resale, on the internet or otherwise, of any such footage will result in direct legal action by the broadcast rights-holder of the event.
- San Antonio Wave and the venue are not responsible for lost or stolen equipment.
- Photography in the Mixed Zone will be allowed on a meet-by-meet basis.
- Flash Photography/Strobes: Depending on lighting of the venue, strobe lights may or may not be permitted as strobe lights can pose a risk to swimmers on their starts. Strobe lights will be permitted only after approval from the head meet official and San Antonio Wave Communications staff.

Section 3 – Consequences

Failure to comply with any of policies set forth in this document may result in disciplinary action. Such discipline may include, but may not be limited to:

- I. Surrendering of your camera for the duration of the Meet or Session;
- II. Disqualification from photographing one or more events, or all events of competition;
- III. Disqualification from photographing future San Antonio Wave meets;
- IV. Dismissal from the Venue;

The San Antonio WAVE may wish to take photographs (individual and in groups) of swimmers under the age of 18 that may include your child during their membership in the club. All photos will be taken and published in line with club policy. The club requires parental consent to take and use photographs.

Parents have a right to refuse agreement to their child being photographed.

As the parent/caregiver of _____ I allow the following

Take photographs to use on the club's secure website

Consent given Consent refused

Take photographs to include with newspaper articles

Consent given Consent refused

Take photographs to use on club notice boards

Consent given Consent refused

Video for training purposes only

Consent given Consent refused

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

Please EMAIL this form to: Webadmin@sawave.org