



6.11 PHOTO GUIDELINES

i) PREAMBLE

While we recognize within Hockey Eastern Ontario (HEO) the importance of media coverage and professional photography during our events, we must guarantee the safety and welfare of our players while ensuring spectators have an enjoyable experience. This policy provides the consideration and responsibilities for photographers and videographers at HEO events.

ii) EFFECTIVE DATE

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Rev. 1 January 2015

Rev. 2 July 2016

iii) HOST ORGANIZING RESPONSIBILITIES

The following is to be applied by minor hockey associations and tournament organizing committees as a guide for media coverage and professional photography/videography of events.

The host association and/or organizing committee are responsible for:

- Permitting and monitoring all media personnel or professional photographers for each respective event.
- Identifying the area(s) from which images may be taken and ensuring their presence doesn't interfere with the event.
- Ensuring that flash photography or light enhancing equipment does not interfere with the game or causes reflection in the glass surrounding the ice surface.
- Ensuring that the photographer does not enter or stand on the player's bench.
- Ensuring media or photographers are never alone with players and out of sight of others when dealing with players.
- Ensuring the person is accredited, ie. They can provide proof they work for media-based or photography-based company. They should also be able to provide proof they carry/are covered by third party liability insurance.
- Notifying the individual or company that our insurance coverage, including liability and health, does not extend to them.
- Notifying all game officials as to their attendance and designated area(s) in which they are authorized to be.
- Ensuring that no photography is taken in or around the dressing rooms, and that the privacy of the players is maintained at all times
- Ensuring that, if team pictures are being taken on the ice, the photographer is provided with a non-slip carpet or wears non-slip shoes. It is important that players not be shooting pucks while the person is on the ice surface.

