



## Photography Policy Statement For Forth Valley League Matches

The Forth Valley League is committed to providing a safe environment for children/young people under the age of 18 to participate in athletics. Essential to this commitment, is to ensure that all necessary steps are taken to protect children/young people from the inappropriate use of photographic images.

The Forth Valley League have adopted the following good practice guidelines issued by UK Athletics:

### Publishing Images

Through the use of an exclusion form completed by clubs, any named athletes will be identified and no images or footage will be used by the FVL media. Athletes will normally not be named in photographs, except where necessary and then only first name will be used. If a photo of an athlete is named by a parent or third party after publishing then the responsibility lies with the parent/guardian.

We will NEVER publish personal details (email addresses, telephone numbers, addresses etc) of any athlete.

We will only authorise the use of images of athletes in suitable dress (Vest/shorts/tshirt and other suitable apparel relevant to the event.)

### Awareness of photographers in attendance

At each meeting you will be able to recognise the official league photographers who will have access all areas and wearing a high viz vest bearing appropriate wording and FVL logo. These photographers also have full PVG disclosure. Only official league photographers will be allowed infield.

At each match we also require parents, spectators and authorised photographers (e.g. press) to register on the day and fill in a simple accreditation form if they wish to use any photographic equipment including mobile phones with photographic technology. Please ensure this permission is in place before taking photos not after. Also check with the stadium where the event takes place as local authorities will normally have a separate permission form to be completed as well. A copy of this policy will also be displayed at each match.

Issue an identification pass which must be worn and clearly visible at all times during the event for those granted arena accreditation outfield. It may be decided that a photographers briefing will take place prior to the first event and ALL accredited photographers must attend. This will usually be 30 mins prior to the first event and will be announced.

Any photographer breaching the rules in place will be asked to leave and stop taking photographs in addition to any action stadium staff may execute.

Photos will only be published on approved media platforms including the official Forth Valley website below.

Remember the safety of young people is paramount - **Think before you snap!**

Any issues or additional information required please address this to:

Gary Leek  
FVL Media and Press Officer

[forthvalleyleague.org.uk](http://forthvalleyleague.org.uk)



# PHOTOGRAPHY DAY PERMIT

Please fill in the form below if you intend to take photographs during todays event. Please note that infield access will only be granted to nominated Forth Valley official photographers. By signing I agree to abide by this ruling.

<b>NAME</b>	
<b>ADDRESS</b>	
<b>POST CODE</b>	
<b>TEL.NO.</b>	
<b>EVENT NAME</b>	
<b>VENUE</b>	
<b>EVENT DATE</b>	

I wish to take photographs or record images during the course of the above event. I agree to abide by the guidelines laid down by UK Athletics and confirm that photographs or recorded images will only be used in an appropriate manner. Requests not to take photographs or recorded images of individual people must also be adhered to.

Please describe below how photographs or recorded images will be used.

I acknowledge that if it is deemed that any photographs or recorded images are used inappropriately, this may result in me being unable to use photographic equipment at athletic events in the future.

**SIGNATURE :** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_