

Exeter Open Kickboxing Championship

Photography and Filming Policy

Event date Sunday 29 November 2026

Venue Broadclyst Sports Centre, Exeter EX5 3AH

Organiser Exeter Open Kickboxing Championship

Please read before registering. Photography and filming may take place at this event. Parents and carers can decline official photography of their child by contacting the organiser before the event and again at registration on arrival.

Purpose of this policy

This policy explains how photographs and video may be taken, used and shared at the Exeter Open. It is intended to celebrate the competition while protecting the privacy, dignity and safety of competitors, especially children and young people. It applies to competitors, parents, carers, coaches, officials, volunteers, photographers and spectators.

What photography may take place

The organiser may appoint an official photographer or videographer. Images may include action photographs, medal presentations, podium photographs, team photographs, general venue views and short event videos. Photography may also be used for event administration, incident review or safeguarding where necessary.

How official images may be used

- To report on and celebrate the event.
- On the organiser's website, social-media accounts, newsletters, posters and future event advertising.
- In press or media coverage approved by the organiser.
- To provide event photographs to competitors or their families, where this service is offered.

The organiser will select images with care. Images should present participants positively, show suitable competition clothing and safety equipment, and avoid inappropriate angles or situations that could cause embarrassment or increase safeguarding risk.

Children and young people

For a competitor under 16, a parent or carer with parental responsibility should make the photography choice. The child or young person will also be listened to. A photograph or recording should not be taken if the child says they do not want it, even where a parent previously agreed. Competitors aged 16 or over who understand the request may make their own choice.

The organiser will not normally publish a child's full name alongside a recognisable image. A first name, club and competition result may be used where appropriate to report sporting achievement. Sensitive personal information will not be published.

Your choice and how to opt out

If you do not want yourself or your child to appear in official photography or filming, contact the organiser using the contact details on the Kihapp event page before the event. You must also tell the registration desk when you arrive. The organiser will record the request and explain the identification process used for the official photographer.

Reasonable steps will be taken to avoid focused or identifiable official images of anyone who has opted out. Because this is a busy sporting event, the organiser cannot guarantee that a person will never appear incidentally in a wide-angle, crowd or background image. If there is a serious safeguarding reason why incidental inclusion would create a risk, please contact the organiser privately before attending so that suitable arrangements can be discussed.

Parents spectators and coaches

Personal photography is permitted only when it is safe, respectful and does not disrupt the competition. Everyone attending must follow these rules:

- Focus on your own child, family member, competitor or team wherever possible.
- Do not photograph or film in toilets, changing rooms, medical or first-aid areas, or any other private area.
- Do not take images from an intrusive or inappropriate angle, or record anyone who has asked not to be recorded.
- Do not enter competition areas or obstruct officials, competitors, exits or emergency access to obtain an image.
- Do not livestream from the event unless the organiser has given written permission.
- Before posting publicly, check that other identifiable children and adults are happy to appear. Do not tag or identify another person's child without permission.
- Follow any instruction from the event organiser, safeguarding lead, venue staff or referee to stop photographing, filming or sharing content.

Official photographers

An official photographer or videographer must be authorised by the organiser and identifiable at the event. They will receive a safeguarding brief, be told about any opt-out arrangements and will not have unsupervised one-to-one access to children. Their access does not permit photography in private areas.

Storage sharing and retention

- Official files will be stored with access limited to authorised people and service providers working for the event.
- Unselected raw images will normally be deleted within 90 days after the event.
- Selected published or promotional images may be retained for up to three years and will then be reviewed and deleted when no longer required, unless they form part of a legitimate event archive or published record.
- Once an image has been published online or shared by others, complete removal from every copy may not be possible.

Changing your mind or requesting removal

You may withdraw permission for future use of an official image or ask the organiser to remove an image from channels under its control. Contact the organiser through the contact details on the Kihapp event page and describe the image, where it appears and the person shown. The organiser will respond as soon as reasonably possible. Withdrawal does not invalidate use that already took place, and it may not be possible to retrieve printed material or copies already shared by third parties.

Concerns and reporting

If you believe photography or filming is unsafe, intrusive or contrary to this policy, tell the registration desk, event organiser, safeguarding lead or venue staff immediately. The organiser may require a person to stop, delete material where appropriate, leave the venue, or refer a safeguarding concern to the police or relevant safeguarding authority. In an emergency, call 999.

Parent and carer acknowledgement

By registering, you confirm that you have read this policy and understand that photography and filming may take place. Registration itself is not treated as unlimited consent for focused promotional photography of a child. If you wish to opt out, you must notify the organiser before the event and the registration desk on arrival so that practical safeguards can be put in place.

Contact

For an opt-out request, safeguarding concern or image-removal request, contact the Exeter Open organiser using the contact details shown on the Kihapp tournament page. Please do not include sensitive safeguarding information in a public comment or social-media message.

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