



**GLORY LEAGUE**

## **Filming, Photography and Glory League Policy**

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## Introduction

Blue Mountains Basketball Association (BMBA) acknowledges that there are legitimate concerns around the recording of video footage and still photographs during basketball activities.

The laws governing photography and filming exist to safeguard the privacy and safety of people (including children) from exploitation and inappropriate use of their image without placing undue restrictions on legitimate activities. It is unlawful for photographs and film to be taken that are:

- indecent; defamatory; being used for voyeurism; protected by a court order; provocative or sexual;
- used to bully both cyber and in-person;
- used for commercial purposes without the consent of the subject;
- containing private conversations (audio) without knowledge or consent
- captured around any places of an inappropriate nature (such as changerooms, toilets etc.)

Basketball Australia's (BA) Child Safeguarding Policy sets out the overarching national guidance on photographs and video for all basketball activities. This policy complies with the BA requirements and aims to provide additional context for how this issue will be managed by BMBA.

## Objective

The aim of this policy is to draw a balance between the legitimate interests of supporters, families, coaches, and BMBA to record memories and performances, and the interests of participants to protect their privacy and wrongful use of their image.

This policy applies to all basketball participants, including players, coaches, referees, and spectators. It also covers individuals with online access to Glory League content.

## General Commitments and Practices

### 1. Legal Prohibitions

- 1.1. Under Australian law, there are no explicit prohibitions on filming or photographing individuals, including minors, in public spaces such as sports venues. Therefore, it is lawful to capture images and video during sporting events.
- 1.2. There are specific instances in law where the taking of any image is banned. Such instances generally relate to child custody matters, wards of the state, restraining orders and witness protection.
- 1.3. Where such orders are in place it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian or individual to notify BMBA. BMBA may request a confidential copy of the order if appropriate.
- 1.4. BMBA will use its best endeavours to prevent the taking of such images but provides no guarantee that such images will not be captured.

## **2. Live Streaming**

- 2.1. Live streaming of games is strictly prohibited.
- 2.2. A live stream is considered any live transmission of an event over the internet and covers public platforms and private streams (i.e. FaceTime or similar)

## **3. Private Use**

- 3.1. There are no restrictions on parents, guardians and/or family members taking photos or video footage of their children participating in basketball games provided the images are for personal use and do not encroach on the limitations as described in Commitments 1 and 2.
- 3.2. Spectators are not permitted to use tripods or other equipment that may impede on other spectator's view and use of space.

## **4. Social Media**

- 4.1. BMBA requests that all persons take care in any online postings of images or videos, particularly images or videos of children. All posts must not:
  - Contain sensitive information
  - Bring Blue Mountains Basketball's brand and reputation into disrepute
  - Harass, bully or intimidate referees, players, coaches or administrators.
  - Publicly criticise referees, players, coaches or administrators.
- 4.2. Please note that anyone who posts any content on any public or private platform are subject to normal civil and criminal laws in terms of defamation, intimidation, harassment, pornographic content, etc.
- 4.3. BMBA requires that any take down requests for images or videos taken at a BMBA event be promptly complied with.

## **5. BMBA Use**

- 5.1. Unless legally prohibited under Commitment 1, BMBA may capture and use video or photographs for the following purposes:
  - General publicity on the BMBA website, in-stadium displays or social media profiles (e.g. action photos from a tournament, competition winners etc).
  - in BMBA reports and publications (e.g. annual report).
  - in BMBA promotional or event related material.
  - Coaching and referee development.

## **6. Media Publications or Commercial Use**

- 6.1. Other than specified below, videos and photographs may not be used for commercial purposes unless permission from all persons shown in the video or photograph is received.
- 6.2. Where a photographer/videographer has been contracted by BMBA to acquire images of individuals or teams for the purpose of selling images to participants or interested persons, the contractor is required to be suitably identified and provide the appropriate Working with Children Check.
- 6.3. BMBA may approve media access for news organisations, websites, and social media companies. Members of the media that have been approved must hold a valid Working with

Children Check. These organisations may take video and photography at sanctioned events, competitions, and programs.

- 6.4. Members will be notified if contracted or media photographers/film crews will be present.
- 6.5. BMBA has the obligation to advise any contactor or member of the press of any limitations as prescribed by Commitment 1.
- 6.6. The use of images by BMBA for general promotional purposes is not considered as commercial use.

## **7. Use of Personal Information**

- 7.1. BMBA has adopted the Basketball Australia Privacy Policy.
- 7.2. BMBA will not post personal information about members in conjunction with photos and videos online. This includes but is not limited to addresses, telephone number and DOB. The fact a member is wearing a particular basketball uniform is not considered personal information.
- 7.3. Names (first and surname) may be published with photos and videos in appropriate circumstances, (for example a team photo in a yearbook, to celebrate an individual's selection to a representative team or higher-level program). BMBA will not use a child's name if a parent or guardian explicitly requests the child's name not be included in any publications.

## **8. Managing behaviours**

- 8.1. If a team has a member that cannot be videoed or photographed as per clause 1, the Court Supervisor will advise the spectators and opposition team that the game cannot be recorded or photographed.
- 8.2. If a person is requested by Court Supervisor to cease recording or taking photographs they must stop immediately, if they refuse to abide by these instructions, they will be asked to leave the facility immediately.
- 8.3. If there are reasonable concerns that a person (adult or child) is taking photographs that are indecent or in areas like toilets/change rooms, then our Court Supervisor will notify the BMBA Committee immediately, for further consideration or action. This may include police attendance.
- 8.4. Under Basketball NSW Tribunal By-Laws and Member Protection By-Laws, behaviour which is unacceptable can be brought to a Tribunal, even if it didn't occur on the basketball court. If the incident is basketball related, the Tribunal can deal with it.

## **Glory League**

BMBA has introduced Glory League, an automated video system that captures footage of all local competition and representative games that are played at Katoomba Sports and Aquatic Centre (KSAC). This platform enhances the basketball experience by offering full-game recordings, highlight clips, player leaderboards, shot charts, infographics, and more to relive and share on-court moments. Users of the Glory League platform can view, edit, and share footage on social media and other digital platforms.

## **9. Agreement of Use**

- 9.1. By participating in basketball activities as a player, coach, referee or administrator, you consent to being recorded by Glory League cameras, via the [Participant Terms & Conditions](#) issued by Basketball Australia.

- 9.2. You acknowledge and accept that such footage and images may be used by BMBA, other Basketball Entities (such as BNSW and other Basketball Associations) and third-party providers (such as Glory League) for services aimed at players, coaches, and officials. These images may also be tagged and shared online by other basketball participants.
- 9.3. While the cameras are focused on the courts, spectators may be captured as they transit through the court area. Signage will be displayed at the court entrance notifying spectators that Glory League is in use.

## **10. Privacy Considerations**

- 10.1. Glory League's privacy practices have been independently reviewed and found compliant with Australian privacy standards. These have also been reviewed and agreed with Blue Mountains City Council.
- 10.2. The Glory League cameras will operate and film only during games conducted by BMBA or conducted as part of competitions in which teams or members of BMBA participate at the courts (e.g. Western Junior League, Youth League, Blue Mountains Classic etc). Training and Development Programs such as Aussie Hoops, Academy and Holiday Clinics will not be captured by Glory League.
- 10.3. In situations where Commitment 1.3 applies, once legal documentation and instructions are received, BMBA will set the person/s status within Glory League to private which will disable footage of all games that person participates in. No player/member will be able to view or share footage of those games.

## **11. Use of Glory League Footage**

- 11.1. Glory League footage is for educational and recreational purposes only.
- 11.2. Glory League is not a Decision Review System (DRS) or Virtual Assistant Referee (VAR). On-court decisions made by referees, officials, or staff cannot be reviewed or appealed based on Glory League footage.
- 11.3. Glory League footage may be reviewed and utilised as evidence during an incident investigation or Tribunal. A Tribunal may identify additional participants or charges based on review of the footage.
- 11.4. BMBA, at its sole discretion, may obscure, remove or otherwise make footage unavailable for public viewing in the event of a serious injury or incident during a game.

## **Policy Accessibility and Member Acceptance**

A copy of this policy is provided on our website and will be emailed to all members upon significant update. Your or your child's ongoing participation in BMBA basketball activities is considered as acceptance and agreement of this policy, and unless otherwise prohibited by law, you consent for images and videos to be captured according to this policy.

## Incidents and Complaints

If you believe a person is taking images or video inappropriately on site, please approach the BMBA Court Supervisor immediately. The Court Supervisor will assess the situation and take appropriate action. Police may be called if deemed necessary.

If an image or video has been posted online that you believe is in breach of this policy, please notify the BMBA Committee.

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**If you have any concerns, complaints of inappropriate behaviour, or take-down requests, please email:**

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