

CHILD PROTECTION AND PRIVACY-INFORMED CONSENT

Policy Statement

The South West Sydney Academy of Sport appreciates that Privacy is a sensitive issue. The South West Sydney Academy of Sport recognises the rights of its athletes and coaches and has implemented measures to ensure that the collection, use and storage of personal information complies with Australia's Ten national privacy Principles, as defined in the Privacy Amendment (Private Sector) Act 2000.

Screening of Staff

All Academy staff (whether volunteer or salaried) in a child related position understand that several checking processes are undertaken to ascertain their suitability.

The Academy complies with all legislation required under the Child Protection (Prohibited Employment) Act 1998.

If potential staff are identified as a "registrable person" under the Child Protection (offenders Registration) Act 2000, they are prohibited from paid or voluntary employment in a child related position with the Academy.

Information for Publication

Evidence in Australia indicates that information regarding children posted on an internet site or published in a magazine or newspaper may be used by paedophiles to target children, to locate them and to groom their initial approach to the child.

Despite the best intentions on the part of the publisher, children can end up being the victims of abuse.

To reduce this possibility, the Academy ensures that without parental consent, no information regarding an Academy Scholarship holder will be released to newspaper or television or be published in the Academy newsletters.

If parents or guardians of Academy Scholarship holders (under the age of 18) agree to their child's details being published, then they will need to complete and sign the Parent/Guardian Informed Consent (sample follows).

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Privacy Notice

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- Relevant Government bodies (Councils/Members of Parliament/Government Departments) may be given – Name, sport, age, town.
- Media outlets may be given – Name, sport, age, town, photo/video image, achievements.
- Schools may be given – Name, sport

Please contact the South West Sydney Academy of Sport, Executive Director immediately on m): 0407 415 847, if you have any concerns regarding this matter.

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMED CONSENT:

As the parent/guardian of _____, who is a member of the Academy, I acknowledge that I have read the information provided above, and agree that the following information can be released to the authorities indicated:

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Parent/Guardian's name: _____

Signature: _____ Date : _____

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