



## CONSENT FOR USE OF PHOTOGRAPHY

Dear Parents/Carers,

This guidance explains why we need to ask you for your consent for any photographs of your child being used by Gillingham Town Youth Football Club (GTYFC). After reading this, you should fill in and return the form attached to let us know your wishes.

We live in an age in which digital technology has vastly increased the use of photography, and there has been publicity surrounding concern about the risk of a child or young person being identified by a photograph in the local press or via social media. GTYFC, supported by the FA, takes the view that the risk of a child being identified by a stranger is small and that, providing reasonable steps are in place in terms of appropriateness of the photography and to protect the full name and contact details of children, photography will be permitted.

However, we are mindful of the fact for some families; there may be reasons why a child's identification is a matter of particular anxiety. If you have special circumstances, either now or at any time in the future, that would affect or change your consent on this issue please contact Ellie Taylor, Club Welfare Officer, on 07999978416.

You should discuss the matter of photographs with your child, and agree with them about the categories of consent. We invite you to use this form to explore their feelings about being photographed/filmed. GTYFC will not use the personal details or full names (which means first name and surname) of any child or young person in a photographic image on film, website, or in club printed publications. If GTYFC uses photographs of individuals, the name of that child or young person will not appear in the accompanying text or photo caption, unless we have your agreement.

Only images of children or young people who are suitably dressed will be used, to reduce the risk of such images being used inappropriately. By signing this consent form you will be giving permission to GTYFC to use photographs and film of your child involved in football activities. These images may be used in any of the following ways;

- Printed publications
- GTYFC Website
- Official GTYFC Social Media
- Within the local or national media

If you wish to find out more about The FA's guidance on photography or other best practice issues please go to [www.TheFA.com/football-rulesgovernance/safeguarding](http://www.TheFA.com/football-rulesgovernance/safeguarding)

Thank you for your continued support,

Gillingham Town Youth Football Club