## **Photography**

While not wanting to be too prescriptive on this, we appreciate that this is a sensitive area and we do not want any children or parents to have any concerns. Therefore, we have set in place a policy that is largely based on the RFU Guidelines on Video/Photographic Images.

## First and foremost:

- 1. Any adult seeking to take photographs of any Teddington Rugby child player must first speak with the lead coach of that age group ideally or as an alternative, the coach taking that session. This is a fundamental requirement, not just a courtesy.
- 2. If any of the players' parents or people looking after them who are present object, then no photographs may be taken.

## In addition:

- 1. All young people must be appropriately dressed for the activity taking place.
- 2. Photography or recording should focus on the activity rather than a particular young person and personal details, such as their address, should not be revealed.
- 3. Where an individual has achieved success in the game, permission must be gained from a parent/guardian and the young person to use the images and relevant details.
- 4. Wherever possible, photographs/recordings should represent the diverse range of young people participating in rugby.
- 5. Anyone taking photographs or recording at any rugby event must have a valid reason for doing so.
- 6. Lead coaches may authorise, from time to time, the taking of head and shoulder photographs of players for the purpose of identifying children. These photographs are not for publication.
- 7. All concerns regarding inappropriate or intrusive photography should be reported in confidence to the club's Child Protection Officer.
- 8. Any parent/guardian who objects to their child being photographed should notify the coach (as above) or the Chairman, one of the Vice-Chairmen or Child Welfare Officer, otherwise it is presumed that photographs may be so taken and that any images may be used on the website, rugby related publications or in press-releases.