



# ***Parent/Guardian Consent to Recordings & Rules***

## **USE**

This document should be used in conjunction with the template local church 'Child-Safe Policy' (v 2013 or subsequent editions) and applicable Conference & AUC / NZPUC policy.

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this form is to enable the local Church and other Church-sponsored activities to have parents/guardians provide their consent for children or young people to be photographed or filmed at Church events and activities and to provide consent to the uses and publication of images and depictions. In addition, the form may be used to gain the agreement of parents/guardians to certain rules that govern the use of mini-devices with recording capabilities that many children and young people possess and use.

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# Parent/Guardian Consent to Recordings

INSERT NAME OF LOCAL CHURCH / DEPARTMENT / ACTIVITY

## BACKGROUND

The Code of Conduct that establishes how adults are to behave towards children and young people within the AUC & NZPUC across Australia and New Zealand, and its constituent Conferences and local churches, companies, and church plants, specifies that: *DON'T take unauthorised photos of movies of a child on church property or at church activities without church authorisation and the parental/guardian consent.*

The local church/Department/Activity therefore informs parents/guardians that the following program or Church-sponsored activity has appointed authorised photographers:

Description of event/activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates/Time-period for event/activity: \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT / GUARDIAN CONSENTS

As the parent / guardian, please 'tick' the boxes below that indicate your consent to your child/ren or young person/s being the subject/s of photo, sound, and movie recordings or depictions:

☐ I DO provide consent

☐ I DO NOT provide consent

If you DO consent (as indicated above), please specify the following additional consents regarding the permitted uses of such photos, sound, and movie recordings of your child/ren or young person/s:

- I consent to such photos, sound, and movie recordings to be displayed on noticeboards, screens, and displays within the church (circle): YES / NO
- I consent for photos, sound, and movie recordings to be displayed or used in church publications such as newsletters, brochures, and the church's website (circle): YES / NO
- I consent for photos, sound, and movie recordings to be used or displayed in church authorised Facebook and other social media, and in church authorised postings on YouTube and the like (circle): YES / NO
- I understand and agree that photos, sound, and movie recordings will *not* be used in any profitable enterprise or publication, and that no fee will be paid to a child/ren or young person/s or a parent/guardian for appearing in any depiction (circle): YES / NO

**RULES FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE POSSESSING AND USING MOBILE PHONES, TABLETS, & OTHER MINI-RECORDING-DEVICES**

- Whilst children or young people (particularly over 10-years of age) may have a right to mobile phones, tablets, and other miniature devices which have photo, sound, and movie recording capabilities, I understand and agree that church leaders may confiscate such device and return it to a parent / guardian (when next practical) if the device is reasonably believed to have been used by my child/ren or young person/s, or threatened to be used, to: harass; nuisance; bully; or otherwise tease, joke, humiliate, or mock any person (including a child; young person; staff member; volunteer; or parent/guardian helper).

Please 'tick' to indicate that you understand, agree with, and consent to this rule: ☐

- In addition to the above rule, I further agree and understand that if apparent criminal activity (sexting; filming or sharing recordings of physical assaults and other forms of bullying; cyber-harassment; forwarding or sharing prohibited or restricted content including child pornography or child exploitation material) is reasonably believed to have occurred or be retained upon such device in the use or possession of my child/ren or young person/s, I consent for church leaders to confiscate the device and retain it for inspection by law enforcement agencies (such as the Police) and/or by church authorities. I further understand and agree that neither a parent/guardian nor a child/ren or young person/s will be compensated (financially or in any other way) if such device is retained indefinitely to assist with any investigation; criminal trial; civil proceeding; or procedure of any legislated tribunal or adjudicative body.

Please 'tick' to indicate that you understand, agree with, and consent to this rule: ☐

Name/s of child/ren or young person/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent / Guardian's full name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to the above child/ren or young person/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_