

Filming and Photography Policy Version 1.0

Active U

General

The Filming and Photography Policy provides guidance for the Active U and its members on taking and using appropriate images. This policy is not about preventing members from taking pictures, but rather to ensure a safe environment for members. This policy is designed to promote safeguards for any photographic or filming/video activity to minimize the risk of inappropriate taking and use of images.

Policy

It is our policy that members and all event participants shall ensure that film and images are not taken that are inappropriate, pornographic in nature, or in such environments considered inappropriate irrespective of any permission sought. In certain cases it may be an offence to take such images. Filming and taking images using any type of equipment is banned in an area where people are changing or would normally expect their privacy to be recognized.

Examples of inappropriate or pornographic in nature would include:

- A person relieving themselves
- Partial or full nudity
- Physical altercations and fights
- An inebriated (drunk or high) person
- Pranks that involve inebriated or sleeping people
- Person(s) engaged in sexual activity

Examples of such environments would include:

- Bedrooms
- Shared tents
- Changing rooms, or other open changing areas
- Showers
- Saunas
- Individual changing/private cubicles provided for personal use
- Toilets and outhouses
- Medical/physio treatment rooms

Procedure

Where there is a concern about the filming/photography or the use of film/images this should be reported to the responsible person who will take appropriate action. The responsible person at an Active U event will be the Event Coordinator(s). The responsible person at all other times will be the President(s).

Procedure at an event:

The Event Coordinator(s) will have the offender to stop and turn over their recording device. The offending person will be notified that under our policy their device will be held for review, and will be returned to them after a review has occurred. The offending film or images should not be deleted, as it may be criminal evidence. The device shall be held by the Event Coordinator(s) until an emergency meeting of the Active U executive is held to review the material. If the person refuses to hand over their recording device, the police should be called. Should an incident happen at an event, the Event Coordinator(s) shall immediately notify the President(s).

Procedure for all other occurrences:

If the offending media is brought to the attention of the Active U after an event, the President(s) shall immediately call an emergency meeting of the Executive and launch an investigation as to who may have filmed/photographed the offending material.

Procedure for emergency executive meeting:

The Executive shall review the evidence and the offending material. If there is reason to believe a crime has been committed, legal advice should be immediately sought and the police informed.

It will be the duty of the President(s) to report the alleged use to:

- The person responsible for posting the film or image
- The person in the film or image
- York University Student Community & Leadership Development (RE: York Student Code of Conduct)
- The parent/guardian of any young person involved (if the person is under 18)
- The police (if a law may have been broken)
- The media platform i.e. twitter, Facebook, WhatsApp, Instagram, print media etc.

The behavior of the offender shall be reviewed by the Organization. Should the material be deemed inappropriate, the Organization may impose disciplinary measures, varying by the offense. Offences of a pornographic or sexual nature will lead to the member being banned for life.