

## **GUIDELINES FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS' & ORGANIZERS' ETHICS DURING EVENTS**

The Malta Institute of Professional Photography (MIPP) advises photographers accepting and agreeing to photograph events, especially free of charge, to pay particular attention to these general guidelines. This is by no means a formal agreement, but only Guidelines.

1. Photographers are to make all efforts so that they are given credit whenever any of their images are published or used in any way by the organizer. Photographers should also credit the organizer when any photos are published. One should still bear in mind that, in the case of media, there is still a chance of credits not being given, as both organizer and photographer have little control over printed media.
2. It should be made clear by the photographer that the organizer can use the images given by the photographer only for promotional purposes in connection with the event.
3. Should the organizer desire to sell or give rights to third parties, the organizer needs the written permission of the photographer or organizer has to pay a fee for each image, best decided by both parties prior to the event.
4. Photographers should be over the age of 18 when photographing such events.
5. The photographer should retain the rights of the images.
6. If the photographer is passing on these images to third parties for whatever reason, whether for internet use, promotional activities or any other visible media, he must have the organizers' prior written consent.  
It would make ethical and practical sense that organizers should ask photographers to send images for approval prior to using these photographs in any public form. This can further help to safeguard both parties.
7. It is recommended that both parties complete a signed agreement bearing these conditions prior to the event. (see MIPP draft agreement).
8. It cannot be stressed enough that any individual, as event organizer, can ask for the photographer to sign any agreement the organizer deems fit. It is strictly up to the photographer to read this agreement fully and in detail and, if in disagreement, to decline to sign.  
Should photographers agree to sign, they are to be aware that they will then be liable to conform fully with the organizers' conditions.
9. It is understood that organizers can give precedence to certain photographers because of logistical considerations.
10. Although the MIPP may pass on information on events and/or other photo opportunities thought to be beneficial to its members, it does not in any way accept responsibility for the organization of such events or responsibility with regards to agreements or prizes promised by the event organizers to participants.
11. The organizers reserve the right to refuse entry to any photographer they deem fit and/or any photographer who has not honoured his agreement during previous editions of the same event.

NECESSARY DETAILS FOR LEGAL PURPOSES:

**PHOTOGRAPHER:**

Name:

Surname:

ID Card:

Address:

Town:

Country:

Phone Number:

Mobile Number:

Email address:

**EVENT ORGANIZER/COMPANY:**

Name:

Surname:

ID Card:

Address:

Town:

Country:

Phone Number:

Mobile Number:

Email address:

Name of Event:

Date of Event:

Date of agreement signing:

Signature of event organizer/representative:

Signature of Photographer:

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