

GYMNASTICS ONTARIO CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY

Definitions

1. The following terms have these meanings in this Policy:
 - a) *“Confidential Information”* – Personal information of Gymnastics Ontario Representatives including but not limited to home address, email address, personal phone numbers, date of birth, financial information, medical information, and background check information. Additionally, *Confidential Information* also covers information considered to be intellectual property of Gymnastics Ontario such as data, proprietary information, business information, and trade secrets
 - b) *“Representative”* – All individuals employed by, or engaged in activities on behalf of, Gymnastics Ontario. Representatives include, but are not limited to, staff, administrators, Directors and Officers of Gymnastics Ontario, committee members, and volunteers
 - c) *“Members”* - All categories of membership defined in Gymnastics Ontario’s Bylaws, as well as all individuals employed by, or engaged in activities with, Gymnastics Ontario including, but not limited to, Registered Individuals, athletes, coaches, judges, officials, volunteers, managers, administrators, committee members, and Directors and Officers of Gymnastics Ontario

Purpose

2. The purpose of this Policy is to ensure the protection of Confidential Information that is proprietary to Gymnastics Ontario.

Scope and Application

3. This policy applies to all Members and Representatives of Gymnastics Ontario.
4. Confidential Information does not include the following: name, title, business address, work telephone number, or any other information widely available or in the public domain.
5. Representatives voluntarily publishing or consenting to the publication of Confidential Information in a public forum (such as the listing of an email address on a website) forfeit the expectation of confidentiality for that Confidential Information for as long as it is available publicly.

Responsibilities

6. Representatives and Members will not, either during the period of their involvement/employment with Gymnastics Ontario or any time thereafter, disclose to any person or organization any Confidential Information acquired during their period of involvement/employment, unless expressly authorized to do so.

7. Representatives and Members will not publish, communicate, divulge, or disclose to any unauthorized person, firm, corporation, or third party any Confidential Information without the express written consent of Gymnastics Ontario.
8. Representatives and Members will not use, reproduce, or distribute Confidential Information without the express written consent of Gymnastics Ontario.
9. All documents and written materials relating to Confidential Information will remain the property of Gymnastics Ontario and, upon termination of involvement/employment with Gymnastics Ontario or upon request of Gymnastics Ontario, Representatives will immediately return all written or tangible Confidential Information, as well as copies and reproductions, and any other media containing Confidential Information.

Intellectual Property

10. Copyright and any other intellectual property rights for all written material (including material in electronic format or posted on a website) and other works produced in connection with employment or involvement with Gymnastics Ontario will be owned solely by Gymnastics Ontario, which shall have the right to use, reproduce, or distribute such material and works, in whole or in part, for any purpose it wishes. Gymnastics Ontario may grant permission for others to use its intellectual property.

Enforcement

A breach of any provision in this Policy may be subject to legal recourse, termination of the employment or volunteer position, suspension or expulsion from membership, or sanctions pursuant to Gymnastics Ontario's *Discipline and Complaints Policy*.