

MODEL RELEASE FORM

This form is designed to help protect models and photographers from unauthorized use of photographs in publications or public exhibitions. The form should be signed in three copies: one for the model, one for the photographer, and one for the witness: and kept by each in a permanent file, or one lasting as long as the agreement is in effect (five years is a pretty good plan); a signed copy of the form should accompany photographs submitted for exhibition or publication. At the end of the term of agreement, the parties should sign a new agreement, formally cancel this agreement (on this sheet or on a copy of it), or formally release each other from it: again, on this already signed sheet. Different witnesses may sign each time, and the agreement becomes void upon the death either of the model or of the photographer. A model under the age of eighteen should have the model release signed by an adult relative.

While it is not strictly a matter of law, the photograph of a nude or semi-nude model should not be used publicly unless it is accompanied by a form of this sort. Persons photographed in the company of a nude or semi-nude model should sign a similar form before their photograph is released. These strictures apply only in cases where photographic subjects are personally identifiable in the photographs.

I, _____ (model) hereby authorize
_____ (photographer) to use the

attached ____ (number) photographs in public exhibits, portfolios, websites and/or in one of the following publications approved for this purpose by me.

(List) _____

My name may ____ (may not ____) be used in connection with these photographs. I have seen and approved each of the photographs numbered here for public exhibit or publication. This agreement is effective until ____ / ____ / ____ (month/day/year), and will be renewed, canceled, or released on or before that date.

Date of agreement: ____ / ____ / ____ Signed:

Model _____
(Adult Guardian)

Photographer: _____

Witness: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Renewed () Model: _____

Canceled () Photographer: _____

Released () Witness: _____