

Sessions Studio

Copyright Policy and You

What you need to know about reprinting professionally taken pictures

Everyone like to share their favorite pictures, but it can be illegal to reprint photos taken by professional photographers without first gaining their permission. This brochure will help you understand **Sessions Studio** copyright policy and how it affects what pictures you can reprint.

The Right Thing

What is a Copyright?

A copyright is a protection granted to authors or original works by the U.S. Constitution and the Copyright Act of 1976.

The law protects authors from the unauthorized duplication of their original works by imposing damages and/or criminal penalties on those who violate the author's copyright.

That means in a **Model** makes an unauthorized reprint of a copyrighted photo with the KODAK Picture Maker, both the **Model** and the photo lab making the picture could be liable for copyright infringement!

Follow the Rules

Our Policy

By upholding copyright law, **Sessions Studio** is not only protecting the rights of professional photographers, but protecting you from the potential penalties of copyright infringement.

In compliance with federal law, **Sessions Studio** will not copy a photograph that is signed, stamped or otherwise identified by any professional photographer or studio without a release.

In addition, we will not copy a photograph that appears to have been taken by a professional photographer or portrait studio, without a release, even if it is not marked with any sort of copyright indication.

Pictures submitted for copying that are more than 75 years old may be copied without a release.

To place orders, a **Model's** Acknowledgement form must be completed for each order containing a copyrighted photo or a photo that appears to have been taken by a professional photographer or portrait studio. The form must be signed by the **Model**.

Sessions Studio Inc. normally does not release permission to reproduce our images. If you require additional copies, or special sizes, we will be pleased to process your request expeditiously.

Release Me

Copyright Release

Title of Photograph(s)

Description of Photograph(s)

I certify that I am the photographer for the photo(s) described above. I authorize _____ to make copies of the photo(s) described above as set forth in the following:

Number of Copies / Sizes

This Permission Expires On

Photographer's Name (Please Print)

Photographer's Signature

Address

Phone

Date

This form is provided as a courtesy. We will accept other releases from your photographer.

Put it in Writing

Model's Acknowledgement

I have written permission (copyright release attached) from the author authorizing copies to be made.

Model's Name (Please Print)

Model's Signature

Date

Lab Use Only:

Associate's Name (Please Print)

Order Number