



# 2023 RAVENS MEDIA POLICY

## REGULAR SEASON MEDIA POLICY

### PLAYER ACCESS

Select players will be made available in a podium setting on a weekly basis, typically every Wednesday. Additionally, during the regular season, players will be available for interviews during the open locker room session on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Coaches and players are typically not available for interviews on Tuesday.

For individual one-on-one interviews, requests should be made *at least 24 hours in advance* and submitted to **Patrick Gleason** ([patrick.gleason@ravens.nfl.net](mailto:patrick.gleason@ravens.nfl.net)) or **Tom Valente** ([tom.valente@ravens.nfl.net](mailto:tom.valente@ravens.nfl.net)).

### HEAD COACH/COORDINATOR ACCESS

Head coach **John Harbaugh** will be available in a press conference setting on Monday afternoon (in the team auditorium) and Wednesday and Friday from the practice field podium. Special teams coordinator **Chris Horton**, defensive coordinator **Mike Macdonald** and offensive coordinator **Todd Monken** will address media members in a podium session each Thursday.

### TACTICAL INFORMATION

Nothing can be reported from the practice facility that is of a tactical nature. This includes any information that can help an opponent prepare to compete against the Ravens.

### PHOTOS/VIDEO/LIVE STREAMING

Interview availabilities, open practice sessions and/or other team activities that occur on club premises (Under Armour Performance Center/M&T Bank Stadium) may not be live streamed by an individual or media outlet. This includes the use of social media applications such as Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, X (formerly Twitter) and Ustream, etc.

Television or radio stations looking to broadcast live from club premises or carry media availabilities live must first gain clearance from a Ravens' communications representative.

For practice viewing availability, still photography and videotaping are only allowed during individual position drills or when specified by a Ravens' communications representative. No seven-on-seven, formation or team work may be captured.

### REPORTING/MEDIA VIEWING

#### **Electronic/Battery-Powered Equipment:**

Cellphones, computers and tablet devices may not be used to report from or to communicate with while on the practice field, with the exception of taking pictures/video during an open shooting period. For those with iPads or similar tablets to take notes, these can be used, but only after receiving clearance from a Ravens' communications official.

#### **Reporting/Media Viewing Guidelines:**

- Approximately the first 30 minutes of practice will be open for media viewing. If a reporter chooses to leave practice before the viewing session has concluded, that person may not return to that particular practice.
- Following conclusion of the open practice viewing session...
  - Media may report which players are practicing as well as those who are not.
  - Media may include non-strategy and non-gameplan observations in their reporting.
  - Reference to plays run or game strategy cannot be reported.
  - Reporting of which players are practicing with individual units (e.g. goal line, trick plays, blitz packages, nickel defense, etc.) is not permitted.
- Comments overheard between coaches, players and staff while onsite – on the practice field or in the locker room – cannot be reported. This information may also not be included in reporting (social media or otherwise) at a later time.

#### **Player Injuries:**

As required by the NFL, injuries that occur during open practices can be reported – but only after practice has concluded.

Unless a player is injured during an open practice session or is viewed during these open sessions wearing protective or rehabilitative devices/equipment, such devices/equipment cannot be reported. (Essentially, we are asking media to only report what they see on the practice field, in the locker room or in press conferences.)

### INFORMATION IN LOCKER ROOM & COMMON AREAS

Any information intended for players, coaches and staff that is posted in or dispersed throughout the Ravens' facilities (such as memos/notes in lockers or building signage) may not be reported, photographed or captured on video. Additionally, media must refrain from reporting or displaying personal information, effects or products that are in a player's locker.

### POST-GAME MEDIA FIELD ACCESS

Following NFL guidelines, the Ravens do not permit post-game field access for player interviews at home or on the road.

Apart from the broadcasting networks' post-game coverage and the Ravens' media partners, reporters must remain in the press box or post-game press conference room until all Ravens players have entered the locker room.

Per the NFL's Media Access Policy: "After a reasonable waiting period, defined as 10-15 minutes maximum after the completion of the game, and the players have entered the locker room, the home and visiting locker room areas will be opened to accredited media for immediate access to all players for the sole purpose of conducting interviews."

Media members are permitted to report from the field and do standups following the conclusion of a game, however, reporters must first wait to enter the field/sideline area until all Ravens and opposing team players are in the locker room.