

Privacy and Copyrights

Privacy

Anyone you shoot for your story must give permission to be included. If the person is under 18 years of age, their parents must also give permission for their child to be included. Rights to privacy must absolutely be respected. Privacy rights extend not only to people, but also private property and businesses. If you are in a public place (like a park, sidewalk or street) permission is allowed. If you go into someone's home or business, you will need permission from the owner to shoot footage. Permission is not always hard to get, sometimes you just need to ask. If someone denies you permission for any reason, you simply have to respect their decision.

Copyrights

Along with permission from anyone you shoot, anything you include in your story (like music) must be used with permission. Copyright permissions for intellectual property (such as music, or someone else's videos) are often difficult to obtain. For the purpose of this project, it is probably best to avoid using someone else's video. For music, technically you must have the permission of whoever created the music to include it in your story. If you include music that you don't have the rights too, YouTube could take your story down. In addition, when you upload your story to YouTube, YouTube processes your movie and looks for copywrite protected materials. Some countries like Sweden and Austria will not play your story if the upload scan finds protected materials like music.