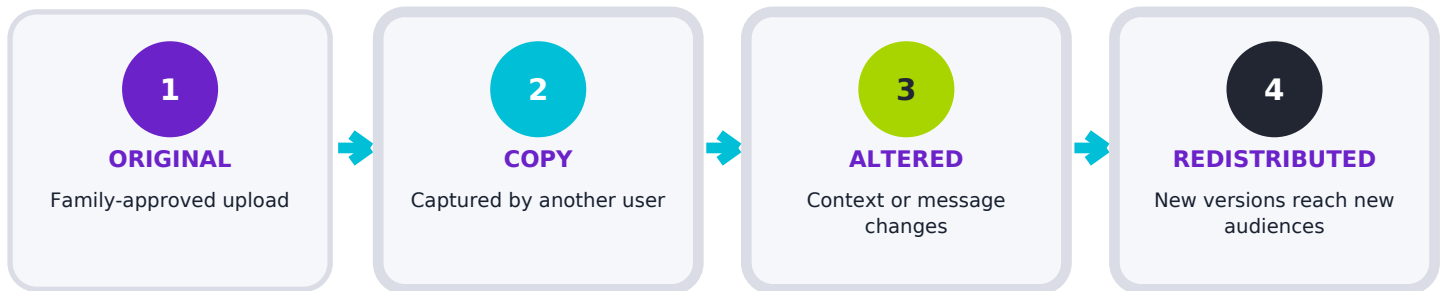


Strangers Downloading and Re-editing Children's Content



WHY IT MATTERS

Publishing a photograph or video does not mean it will remain exactly as uploaded. Other users may download, crop, edit, caption, remix or redistribute children's content in ways the original family never approved.



THE UPLOADED VERSION MAY NOT BE THE VERSION THAT SPREADS

Once a copy exists, approval and context may no longer travel with it.

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SAFEGUARDS 1-5

1

ASSUME PUBLIC CONTENT CAN BE COPIED

Technical restrictions cannot guarantee that a determined person won't capture the content.

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SCREEN RECORDING BYPASSES MANY CONTROLS

A disabled download button does not eliminate copying.

3

CROPPING CAN REMOVE CONTEXT

A harmless family scene can become something very different when isolated.

4

EDITS CAN CHANGE THE MESSAGE

Text, audio and visual alterations can completely change how footage appears.

5

REPOSTS CAN REACH NEW AUDIENCES

Copied material may spread to communities the parent never intended.

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SAFEGUARDS 6-10

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WATERMARKS ARE NOT COMPLETE PROTECTION

They may discourage copying but can still be removed or cropped.

7

SHORT CLIPS ARE EASY TO REDISTRIBUTE

A few seconds can travel independently of the full video.

8

CHILDREN MAY DISCOVER EDITS LATER

Misused footage can become distressing when the child eventually encounters it.

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REPORT UNAUTHORIZED REPOSTS

Use available platform and copyright reporting systems when appropriate.

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REDUCE WHAT IS AVAILABLE TO STEAL

The most effective protection is minimizing the amount of sensitive child content made public.

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BOTTOM LINE

UPLOAD -> COPY CREATED -> NEW VERSIONS -> LOST CONTROL

Once someone copies the file, they can create a version of your child's image that you no longer control.

1

LIMIT

Post less sensitive content

2

PROTECT

Keep family archives private

3

RESPOND

Report unauthorised reposts

CONTROL THE UPLOAD BEFORE CONTROL IS LOST.