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DRESSING ROOM POLICY

Dressing Room Monitoring

Dressing Room

Each team manager is responsible to ensure that TWO adults (either coaches or parents) are in the dressing room TOGETHER whenever the players are in the dressing room. This is called the "Two Deep Method". Players should be supervised at all times. A lone adult should never be in the dressing room with players at any time. This includes the time from the beginning of the event until the last player leaves the dressing room.

In the event there is only one coach or parent and several players in the dressing room, the lone coach/parent is not to enter the dressing room, or must leave the dressing room when this occurs. However, they may remain at the open door until a second coach/HCSP/parent arrives.

In the event that there is only one player in the dressing room, (such as after a player eviction from a game or practice, or if the player is the first or last player in the dressing room), then that player's parent may be allowed to be the sole adult in the dressing room.

Injury Treatment

The Hockey Canada Safety Person (HCSP) should avoid treating injuries out of sight of others. The Two Deep Method of supervision system is to be used.

Road Trips

Ideally, non-related team officials and players should not share accommodations, regardless of the potential cost saving or other benefits. If sharing a room is unavoidable, be sure that the "Two Deep Method" rule is observed at all times.

Sport and Training Facilities

Participants who are minors should never be left in a facility without the supervision of parent/guardian or team official (using Two Deep Method).

Parents/Guardians in Dressing Room

For U13 and above, parents are not allowed in the dressing room with the exception of the designated "dressing room parents". Any assistance required by the player (i.e. skates requiring tying or tightening), either the coach or designated dressing room parents can assist the player(s). Alternatively, players can come meet their parents outside of the dressing room.

For circumstances where parents are permitted in the dressing room before a game (U11 and below), coaches are permitted to ask that the parents leave for a short time before and after the game.

In general, parents should not enter the dressing room if the players undress to less than base layer

Co-Ed Dressing Room

1. To best promote inclusion and to respect the privacy of all participants on a team, Hockey Canada requires all participants to wear a 'minimum attire' at all times in a dressing room or in dressing room environments where more than one participant is present. This means that participants should arrive at the rink wearing a base layer (e.g. shorts and t-shirt, compression shorts and shirt or sports bra). A participant not arriving at the rink wearing their base layer can use an appropriate space (e.g., private restroom stalls or empty/ unused dressing rooms) to change into the base layer then enter the team dressing room with the other participants.
2. When separate facilities exist for both male and female participants, it is recommended for U11 and above that they be used.
3. When separate facilities do not exist for both male and female participants:
    a. Players shall dress, undress and shower in shifts while maintaining the minimum dress code noted above when in the shared dressing room. Players choosing to shower should wait for players not showering to leave the room before undressing.
    b. Players of the under-represented gender shall be granted access to the shower facilities after the balance of the team.

Conduct

Appropriate conduct is to be adhered to at all times. No forms of abuse, hazing or misconduct are acceptable.

If an incident occurs (i.e. hazing), the incident is to be reported directly to the coach and/or 1st Vice President (Rep A)/2nd Vice President/3rd Vice President and Division Manager (Rep C). An incident report is to be completed and submitted as required. (See D03).

Smart Phones, Cameras and Other Mobile Recording Devices.

Smart phones and other mobile devices with recording capabilities, including voice recording, still cameras and video cameras are not permitted to be used in the locker rooms. If phones or other mobile devices are to be used, they must be taken outside the locker room.