



BURTON

Tennis & Squash Club

Policy for Use of Changing Rooms and Showering Facilities

Introduction

This Policy is intended to allow Burton Tennis and Squash Club to meet the needs of its members, taking into account the facilities that are available to them, the number of people accessing them and the activities they are undertaking. Taking our responsibilities of safeguarding into account we strive to ensure that all members have an enjoyable sporting experience at our venue.

Changing facilities for juniors

Due to limited changing facilities, particularly at peak times of their use by members, it is more practical for juniors to come to the club already changed if engaging with sport/coaching, wearing suitable appropriate and warm clothing, go home afterwards to change and shower/bathe.

This Policy sets out guidelines for the acceptable use of our changing rooms.

1. If required children will have sole use of the disabled toilet, changing and showering facility. This reduces risks and potentially vulnerability associated with mixing adults and juniors when changing or showering. A parent or guardian must supervise this.
2. On the rare occasion where this is unavoidable for adults and children to share changing or toileting facilities, they will do so at different times and this will be overseen by parent/guardian, the relevant DBS checked coach, or DBS checked committee member.
3. Under no circumstances will coaches or volunteers shower or change at the same time as children using the changing areas.
4. Mixed gender groups of children will have access to separate changing areas, or same areas at different times.
5. If we are made aware that a child or adult self-identifies as a gender that differs from the gender they were assigned at birth, we will work with them and make reasonable adjustments to suit their needs.
6. Mobile phones and other electronic devices **MUST NOT** be used in the changing rooms, and if this occurs it must be reported immediately to the Safeguarding Officer.
7. Photographic images are strictly prohibited in these areas.
8. For younger groups of children, a DBS checked coach or DBS checked Committee member will wait outside the changing room for the children to call for assistance in case needed.
9. Non members are **not** allowed to use the showering facilities, however playing guests are welcome.

10. Members will report any defects of the facilities immediately to the committee and will report any deficit in hygiene or cleaning standards of the facilities.
11. Property left in the changing areas are left at the owners own risk.
12. Inappropriate behaviours within these areas will be managed under other related policies e.g Health & Safety Policy, Safeguarding Policy and Disciplinary Policy.
13. Members will keep this area tidy and be aware any lost property will be stored in a lidded plastic box labelled and disposed of within 2 weeks if unclaimed.

References;-

BTSC Safeguarding Policy

LTA 'What's The Score Toolkit'