

B.A.H.A.'s Dressing Room

Supervision Policy

OBJECTIVE

B.A.H.A. acknowledges the right of every one of its minor athletes to have a safe space before and after all events to change. Thus throughout the hockey season appropriate player supervision should be priority for all B.A.H.A. teams and staff.

SCOPE

This policy applies to all BAHA Members.

POLICY

Beaumont Amateur Hockey Association encourages all Team Staff to use the "Rule of Two" of supervision that is mentioned throughout Hockey Canada HCSP material and Hockey Canada Coaching Materials.

Players should be supervised at all times. A lone personnel member should never be alone in the dressing room with players at any time. Especially when players are showering or changing.

Two (2) adults/supervisors over the age of eighteen (18) are to be present in the dressing room together, or within earshot of the dressing room door.

CO-ED DRESSING ROOM POLICY

In accordance with Hockey Canada, BAHA firmly believes in accommodating both genders in our great game. We further believe in balancing this goal with safety, privacy, modesty and wishes of ALL our members without compromising the aspects of camaraderie, social integration and bonding inherent in a team sport. This policy attempts to meet all these goals while providing a safe and respectful environment for our participants. It is the responsibility of the Head Coach to ensure the team follows the below guidelines.

B.A.H.A. recommends using the "Rule of Two" with teams that have one (1) or more female hockey players on the team.

It is required to have at least (1) female team official in the dressing room at all times and to be available during the ice time.

*Team official being defined as any or all persons involved in the management of a Hockey Team including, without limitation, The Coach, Manager, Treasurer, or Trainer.

**The female team official rule can be waived if the only female player on the team is the daughter of a coach who is present at the ice time.

B.A.H.A. recognizes the physical limitations of some facilities and encourages our members to work with local facility management to ensure that appropriate changing facilities are available to both genders.



B.A.H.A. allows co-ed dressing room situations to exist at the Initiation Program, U9 and U11 levels, 5-11 years of age provided participants in a co-ed situation either arrive in full equipment or wear at a minimum gym shorts or long underwear as well as a full t-shirt all of which must be in good condition and without holes/tears.

At the U13, U15 and U18 (11 years and up) levels the following conditions will apply in all co-ed team environments:

- Females and males will change in separate rooms.
- Both genders shall congregate in one dressing room fully prepared to participate in the game/practice not more than 15 minutes prior to the scheduled ice time unless otherwise indicated (to be there earlier) by the coaching staff.
- The lesser represented gender shall depart the dressing room not more than 15 minutes after the game/practice, unless otherwise indicated (to stay longer) by the coaching staff.
- The gender in the majority shall not begin changing, helmets, gloves and skates excepted, prior to the departure of the lesser represented gender.
- When necessary, due to facility limitations, dressing and showering shall be done in shifts with the gender in the majority dressing and showering first. Once the room with the shower facilities has been fully vacated the lesser represented gender may use the shower facilities.

FEMALE TEAM DRESSING ROOM SUPERVISION POLICY

Beaumont Amateur Hockey Association is implementing the “Rule of Two” for supervision that is mentioned throughout Hockey Canada HCSP material and Hockey Canada Coaching Materials. It is the responsibility of the Head Coach to ensure the team follows the below guidelines.

- There shall be two (2) female adults/supervisors in the dressing room at all times. *Moms of players are an acceptable form of supervision in this case.
- Once all players are fully dressed in their equipment that is when the coaching staff can enter the dressing room.
- It is required to have at least one (1) female team official in the dressing room vicinity prior to and after all ice times.
- It is required to have at least one (1) female team official available at the facility during the team’s ice times. *Team official being defined as any or all persons involved in the management of a Hockey Team including, without limitation, The Coach, Manager, Treasurer, or Trainer.
- Each Team is required to have one (1) female coach carded on the bench for all games, and present during practices.

