



## **DRESSING ROOM ETIQUETTE POLICY**

### **1. Purpose**

Dressing room etiquette is essential for CRRA activities such as games, practices, and clinics. Following these simple guidelines can help reduce potential conflicts in and around team dressing rooms.

### **2. General Requirements**

No phones or cameras are allowed in the dressing room. This rule, established by Ringette Canada, is designed to protect the privacy of the players and must be strictly enforced—no exceptions. Players and adults are expected to keep all phones stored away (in pockets or purses) and should step out of the dressing room to make calls or check messages.

The room should be locked while the players are on the ice and unlocked when they come off the ice.

Please ensure that dressing rooms are left clean after each practice or game.

### **3. U14 and Higher Divisions**

From the U14 age division and up the players are much more independent and do not usually need parents to assist in the dressing room. Staff and parents should therefore check in on the players periodically to ensure the players are behaving appropriately and there are no problems.

A lone personnel member should never be in the dressing room with players at any time, and especially when they are changing: two (2) adults must be present together. All parents that provide supervision in the dressing rooms on a regular or semi-regular basis must have a valid Vulnerable Sector Check on file with the CRRA.

Should separate dressing rooms be required for one team, both dressing rooms require the appropriate adult supervision.

For Divisions U10 (FUN3) and higher no male coaches are permitted in female dressing rooms while players are dressing or undressing, and no male players are permitted in the female dressing rooms when other changing options are available. Male coaches and players may enter the dressing room for pre-game or post-game routines after being given the all clear by the Team Manager or a female Coach.