



FORT SASKATCHEWAN MINOR SPORTS ASSOCIATION

TITLE: LOCKER AND OR CHANGE ROOMS

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1.0 Purpose

To outline the rules and regulations of the Fort Saskatchewan Minor Sports Association (FSMSA) in regards to providing supervision in locker and or change rooms, and the standards of behaviour in the locker and or change room expected from players, parents, and officials of the FSMSA.

2.0 Scope

This policy applies to all of the Minor Sport programs under the umbrella of the FSMSA, currently including baseball, fastball, gymnastics, hockey, judo, lacrosse, ringette, soccer, and any other Minor Sports that may join the FSMSA. It applies to all members, officials, parents, players, team officials, paid employees, volunteers, and executive board members. It applies to locker and or change rooms that are located on premises leased by any FSMSA sport, or on property that a team or individual is visiting as a representative of the FSMSA.

3.0 Terms

Two Deep Method – A method of supervision in which two adult supervisors must be present at all times, but must wait outside the locker and or change room within hearing distance while the players are changing and showering.

Electronic Recording Devices – Any electronic device or functions of a device that is capable of taking still pictures, sound recordings, or video recordings.

4.0 Policy

- 4.1 Any inappropriate conduct, threats, harassment, abuse (including the use of profanity), disruptive behaviour, criminal offences, or discrimination in the locker and or change rooms is strictly prohibited as of Code of Conduct Policy (#4210).
- 4.2 Any and all FSMSA Minor Sports' Representatives must treat all locker and or change rooms with respect, including locker and or change rooms not on property leased by any FSMSA sport. Each team must ensure that the locker and or change room is clean before leaving and will be responsible for any damages or vandalism.
- 4.3 Players are not to be left unsupervised in a facility leased by any FSMSA sport, including locker and or change rooms. Players must be supervised using the Two Deep Method, especially when the players are changing or showering. This includes leaving a parent or guardian alone with his or her child in the locker and or change room.



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- 4.4 In the event of treating an injury in the locker and or change room, the Two Deep Method must apply to medical personnel as well.
- 4.5 In the cases of teams with both boys and girls, the following dress code must be enforced: male players cannot undress to less than a minimum of shorts when females are present; and female players cannot undress to less than a minimum of shorts and a tee shirt when males are present. If there is only one locker and or change room facility, male and female players will change and shower in shifts, with the most represented gender going first.
- 4.6 If separate facilities are available to co-ed teams, male and female players will make use of them to change to the minimum requirements above.
- 4.7 Parents and guardians are discouraged from entering the locker and or change room. However, in the event a player needs assistance changing into or out of his or her uniform due to age, injury, or disability, the parent must let the coach know in advance that he or she will be coming in to assist the player. In the case of age, parents and guardians are to encourage their children to dress independently as soon as possible.
- 4.8 Coaches, using the Two Deep Method, are allowed to ask parents and guardians to leave the locker and or change room immediately before and after a game or practice so that they might speak to players without distraction. In addition, coaches may bar entry to parents and guardians of older children at their discretion.
- 4.9 Recording functions of electronic devices are not permitted to be used for any reason inside the locker and or change room. Should an individual be required to use the recording function of an electronic device, the person using it must leave the locker and or change room prior. For more information on the rules governing the use of electronic devices in locker and or change rooms, see the Electronic Recording Devices Policy (#4219).