

## WOBURN SANDS TENNIS CLUB USE OF CHANGING FACILITIES POLICY

## **POLICY ON THE USE OF CHANGING ROOMS**

Woburn Sands Tennis Club (WSTC) strives to ensure that all children are safeguarded from abuse and have an enjoyable tennis experience.

This document sets out the WSTC policy for the acceptable use of our changing facilities.

WSTC does not have specific changing rooms, however, there are separate ladies (multiple toilets) and gender-neutral (individual) bathrooms which are large enough to use for an individual to get changed.

Adults and children are able to use the appropriate facilities alone.

Under no circumstances will adult staff, coaches or volunteers enter the facilities if already in use by children (refers to the ladies toilets).

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 their parents/carers (where it relates to a child) and direct them to our gender-neutral facilities.

Mobile phones and other electronic devices must not be used in changing rooms.

For younger groups of children, a DBS checked member of staff or volunteer will wait outside the facilities to allow children to call for assistance if required.

As WSTC has no changing facilities, apart from bathrooms, children, parents and travelling teams/players will be made aware prior to the game and advised to make alternative arrangements and to take appropriate additional clothing e.g. tracksuits etc.

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This Policy is reviewed every three years (or earlier if there is a change in national legislation).

