

Sidmouth Tennis Club

Changing Rooms Policy

Children and young people attending Sidmouth Tennis Club have the right to feel safe, secure and free from threat in order to have an enjoyable tennis experience.

We are also aware that situations may be misunderstood or manipulated by other adults or children. If adults find themselves alone in the clubhouse/changing rooms, they may be vulnerable to allegations of misconduct.

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

1. Mixed gender groups have access to designated male and female changing rooms.
2. If adults and children need to share the changing rooms, they will do so at different times. This reduces any risks and potential vulnerability associated with mixing adults and children when changing.
3. For younger groups of children, a DBS checked coach or volunteer will be available to facilitate the use of the changing rooms allowing children to call for assistance if required.
4. If an adult is aware that children are in the changing room, to await until it is vacant before entering.
5. Adults are to shower at separate times to children. Under no circumstances will adult coaches or volunteers change or shower at the same time as children using the changing room.
6. If it is brought to our attention that a child or adult self-identifies as a gender differing from that assigned at birth, we will work closely with them (and their parents/carers to make reasonable arrangements to meet their needs.
7. The use of mobile phones/cameras within the changing room will not be tolerated.

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