

# USE OF CHANGING ROOMS AND SHOWERING FACILITIES POLICY

Dore and Totley Tennis Club strives to ensure that all children are safeguarded from abuse and have an enjoyable tennis experience.

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

1. Children will have sole use of the single person changing rooms unless they need to be accompanied by their parents. This reduces any risks and potential vulnerability associated with mixing adults and children when changing and showering.
2. The club does not have the facilities to accommodate groups of children. Groups of children are not permitted in the clubhouse unless they are accompanied by their parents.
3. If adults and children need to share our changing rooms, they will do so at different times.
4. Under no circumstances will adult staff, coaches or volunteers change or shower at the same time as children using the changing rooms.
5. Mixed gender groups of children will have access to separate changing rooms, or use the same changing room but at different times.
6. 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) to make reasonable adjustments to changing arrangements to suit their needs (*n.b. for more information on this please go to <https://thecpsu.org.uk/help-advice/topics/lgbt-young-people-and-sport/>*)
7. Mobile phones and other electronic devices must not be used in changing rooms.
8. For younger children, a parent will wait outside the changing rooms to allow their child to call for assistance if required.
9. Where no changing facilities are available 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.