



LOCKER ROOM MONITORING POLICY

PURPOSE

The following guidelines are designed to maintain personal privacy as well as to reduce the risk of misconduct in locker rooms and changing areas.

FACILITIES

The following is a description of our practice and competition facilities to allow athletes and their families to plan their use:

We practice at: Westside High School Pool and Ralston High School Pool

Westside High School Pool has: A male and female locker room areas which is used primarily by individuals using the aquatics facility. Typically, during practice time the only people using the restrooms and changing areas are associated with Swim Omaha. Swimmers and families are encouraged to “come in your suit and leave in your suit”

The Ralston High School Pool has: A male and female locker room areas which has access from the aquatics facility. The lock room can also be accessed from outside the aquatics area but typically is used by individuals using the aquatics facility during practice times. Swimmers and families are encouraged to “come in your suit, leave in your suit”.

MONITORING

General Policy Considerations

Coaches and staff make every effort to recognize when an athlete goes to the locker room or changing area during practice and competition and, if they do not return in a timely fashion, we will check on the athlete’s whereabouts.

We discourage parents from entering locker rooms and changing areas unless it is truly necessary. In those instances, it should only be a same-sex parent. If this is necessary, parents should let the coach or administrator know about this in advance.

If an athlete needs assistance with his or her uniform or gear (for example, a child under the age of eight), or an athlete’s disability warrants assistance, then we ask that parents let the coach, or an administrator know beforehand that he or she will be helping the athlete.

Policy

Swim Omaha has staggered practices, with different groups arriving and departing throughout the day. It is therefore not practical to constantly monitor locker rooms and changing areas over this extended course of time. While we do not post coaches or parents inside or at the doors of the locker rooms and changing areas, we do make occasional sweeps of these areas. Coaches





and parents conduct these sweeps, with women checking on female locker rooms, and men checking on male locker rooms.

USE OF CELL PHONES AND OTHER MOBILE RECORDING DEVICES

Cell phones and other mobile devices with recording capabilities, including voice recording, still cameras and video cameras increase the risk for different forms of misconduct in locker rooms and changing areas. The USA Swimming Athlete Protection Policies prohibit the use of such devices in the locker room or other changing area:

305.3 Use of audio or visual recording devices, including a cell phone camera, is not allowed in changing areas, rest rooms or locker rooms.

I understand the above expectations and that my failure to adhere to them may result in disciplinary action.

Swimmer's Name _____

Swimmer's Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

