

# **APPENDIX G**

## **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 primary practice facility to allow athletes and their families to plan their use:

We practice at Hudson Middle School and this location has separate changing facilities for males and females as well as a “family” changing area. The changing areas may, at times, be dedicated to our swimmers but there may be times when a changing area is shared with the general public. As such, there are likely to be people who are not associated with Mako Aquatics in the changing area around the time of practice.

### **MONITORING**

#### **General Policy**

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 a board member know about this in advance.

If an athlete needs assistance with his or her (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 a board member know beforehand that he or she will be helping the athlete in the locker room or us the accessible “family” changing area.

Mako Aquatics has staggered practices, with different groups arriving and departing throughout the training block. It is therefore not practical to constantly monitor locker rooms and changing areas over this extended course of time. While we do not post [staff, coach, parent, other adult] inside or at the doors of the locker rooms and changing areas, we do make occasional sweeps of these areas. [Staff, coach, parent, other adult] conduct these sweeps, with women checking on female locker rooms, and men checking on male locker rooms and a coach(es) are posted outside the doors of the locker rooms and changing areas following the final practice of the day.

### **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 and as such the use of such devices are prohibited in the locker room or other changing area.