



WEST LOCKER ROOM POLICIES

1. Designated locker rooms must be used when a swimmer changes, in whole or in part, into or out of a swimsuit (e.g., deck changing is prohibited).
2. Children over the age of six (6) must use their gender appropriate locker room to ensure the comfort of all our patrons. We have curtained stalls at the end of the pool for children who may need assistance from their parent/guardian.
3. A swimmer's time in the locker room should be limited to the time it takes to shower and change clothes. The locker room is not a place to play or hang out.
4. WEST makes an effort to recognize when a swimmer goes into the locker room during practice or competition, and if they do not return in a timely fashion we will check on the swimmer's whereabouts.
5. WEST discourages parents and guardians from entering the locker room unless it is truly necessary. In those instances, it must only be a same-sex parent. If it is necessary for a parent or guardian to enter a locker room, coaches or staff members should be notified in advance. For instance, if a swimmer needs assistance with his or her swimsuit or gear (for example, a child under the age of eight), or an athlete's disability warrants assistance, then the parent should let the coach know beforehand that he or she will be helping the swimmer.
6. WEST has staggered practices, with different groups arriving and departing throughout the day. It is therefore impractical to constantly monitor locker rooms over the day. While WEST does not post personnel inside or at the doors of the locker rooms and changing areas, it does make periodic sweeps of the locker rooms and bathrooms. Staff conduct these sweeps, with women checking on female locker rooms, and men checking on male locker rooms.
7. 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. Consistent with USA Swimming Athlete Protection Policies, WEST prohibits the use of such devices in the locker room or other changing area.
8. An adult must not expose his or her breasts, buttocks, groin or genitals to a minor swimmer under any circumstance. An adult must not request an unrelated minor swimmer expose the minor swimmer's breasts, buttocks, groin or genitals under any circumstance.
9. At no time is an adult permitted to be alone with an unrelated minor swimmer in a locker room or changing area, except under emergency circumstances.