

UTAH VALLEY AQUATICS LOCKER ROOM 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

Utah Valley Aquatics trains at the following public facilities: Brigham Young University, Provo Recreation Center, and Orem Family Fitness Center. **All changing areas are shared with the general public.**

MONITORING

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

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 six), 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

Utah Valley Aquatics has staggered practices, with different groups arriving and departing throughout the day at various facilities.

Public swim is permitted while our team is in the water. As such, there are likely to be people who are not associated with Utah Valley Aquatics Swim Team in the changing areas around the time of practice. It is therefore not practical to constantly monitor locker rooms and changing areas over this extended course of time. While we do not post anyone inside or at the doors of the locker rooms and changing areas, we do make occasional sweeps of these areas. Staff, and coaches conduct these sweeps, with women checking on female locker rooms, and men checking on male locker rooms.

Any misconduct within members of the club will be reported to the Safe Sports Director, the following actions may be taken depending on the infraction:

- 1) Verbal warning and notification to parent
- 2) Written warning and notification to parent
- 3) 1 week suspension from club
- 4) Membership removal from club

Any misconduct from outside our organization will be reported to the facilities manager and local police enforcement.

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 is prohibited in the locker rooms at any of these facilities to all athletes and non-athletes regardless of age.

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.