YTC: Use of Changing Rooms BY CHILDREN

YTC strives to ensure that all children are safeguarded from abuse and have an enjoyable tennis experience.

Below is set out the policy for the acceptable use of our changing rooms by children.

1. Groups of children will have sole use of changing rooms. This reduces any risks and potential vulnerability associated with mixing adults and children when changing.
2. If adults and children need to share our changing rooms, they will do so at different times, unless the adult is the parent of all children in the room.
3. Under no circumstances will adult staff, coaches or volunteers change at the same time as children using the changing rooms.
4. Mixed gender groups of children will use separate changing rooms.
5. 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.
6. For younger groups of children, a DBS checked member of staff or volunteer will wait outside the changing rooms to allow children to call for assistance if required.
7. Mobile phones and other electronic devices must not be used in changing rooms.
8. In general, we would prefer that all children and parents come ready changed and only use the toilet facilities in the changing rooms, with conditions as set out above.

With thanks for your cooperation in ensuring the safety of our children.

YTC Committee

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