



# Cranleigh Tennis & Social Club

## Changing Room Policy

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Cranleigh LT&C strives to ensure that all children are safeguarded from abuse and have an enjoyable tennis experience.

**This document sets out the Cranleigh LT&C policy for the acceptable use of our changing rooms.**

1. Groups (organised group, i.e. teams) 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 where possible (Point 3, 4 and 6).
3. Where it is unavoidable that changing rooms are used by both adults and children at the same time, there will be access to separate enclosed changing, showering and toilet areas.
4. Under no circumstances will adult staff, coaches or volunteers change at the same time as children using the changing rooms, unless the children are accompanied by their parents or carers.
5. Mixed gender groups of children will have access to separate changing rooms.
6. Should an adult parent or carer of opposite gender require to escort a minor (under 5) to the changing room, they should use the changing room allocated to the parent's gender.
7. 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 (NB. for more information on this please go to <https://thecpsu.org.uk/help-advice/topics/lgbt-young-people-and-sport/>)
7. Mobile phones and other electronic devices including cameras must not be used in changing rooms.
8. 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. This is applicable when parents or carers are not available at the club.
9. Where no changing facilities are available children, parents and travelling teams/players will be made aware prior to the game and advised to make alternative arrangements and to take appropriate additional clothing e.g. tracksuits etc