



LOCKER ROOM PROCEDURE

The USA Hockey SafeSport rule requires at least one responsible, screened and trained adult present inside each locker room to monitor at all times when athletes present. This person can be a coach (requires criminal background screening and SafeSport Training). However, a coach frequently has reason to leave the locker room at any time and this suggests always needing another designated adult present. For this reason, OYH requires all guardians to take part in locker room monitoring and must obtain and provide proof of completion of the SafeSport Training each hockey season (criminal background screening not required for guardians per OYH at this time). Each team will create a schedule for the season consisting of one guardian per athlete at each playing level assigned to a locker room before and after practices and games for at least two weeks during the season. Implementing this rule requires time and cooperation from everyone; therefore, this does *not* exclude families that have coaches, board members, team managers or other like positions.

SafeSport Locker Room Monitors

- Submit SafeSport Training Certification by September 30th
- Team managers to assign each family at least 2 weeks (includes practices and games for that week)
- Arrive to duty 30-40 minutes prior to start of practices, games
- Assess condition of assigned locker room (report any damage to rink owners: Ben, Larry or designee)
- Station yourself directly inside the locker room when athletes present at any time
 - **Never** 1 adult to 1 athlete. If 1 athlete in locker room, unless 2 responsible adults present, post yourself outside locker room within arm's length.
 - **Never** 1 coach to 1 athlete. Locker room monitor must be present
 - Must be present when athlete leaves ice during a practice or game
- No parents allowed in locker rooms except for coaches and locker room monitors
 - Parents allowed to help with equipment for younger levels
- No cell phones or other mobile devices with recording capabilities
- Must report any violations to coach, board member or SafeSport
- Remain at arm's length of locker room door until last athlete gone

The rink operations are busy and time is critical. As a result, all teams will be required to be completely clear of their locker room within 20 minutes following completion of their game or practice. This will allow time before the next team(s) will need locker room access. We ask for everyone's cooperation in this effort