



OLD DOMINION AQUATIC CLUB LOCKER ROOM MONITORING POLICY

PURPOSE

The following guidelines are designed to maintain personal privacy as well as to reduce the risk of misconduct in the locker rooms and changing areas.

Facilities

The following is a description of our practice and competition facilities to all athletes and their families to plan their use:

We practice at : Honey Bee Golf Course Pool – Virginia Beach

This location has men' and women's locker rooms which are located in the clubhouse directly next to the pool including bathroom facilities, showers and storage cubbies. ODAC swimmers, their families and the coaching staff are the only people with access to these areas. There is also a separate bathroom in the office area for the coaching staff to use.

We practice at : Great Bridge Swim & Racquet Club – Chesapeake

This location has men' and women's locker rooms which are located in the clubhouse directly next to the pool including bathroom facilities and showers. ODAC swimmers, their families, Great Bridge Swim and Racquet Club members and their families and the coaching staff are the only people with access to these areas.

We practice at : Camp Arrowhead – Suffolk

This location has men' and women's locker rooms which are located directly outside the pool area including bathroom facilities and showers. ODAC swimmers, their families, Limited YMCA Members and the coaching staff are the only people with access to these areas.

Monitoring

General Policy Considerations

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

We strongly 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 coaches 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 eight) 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.

Old Dominion Aquatic Club has staggered practices, with different groups arriving and departing throughout the day. It is therefore not practical to constantly monitor locker rooms and changing areas over this extended course of time. While we do not post [staff, coach, parent, other adult] inside or at the doors of the locker rooms and changing areas, we do make occasional sweeps of these areas. [Staff, coach, parent, other adult] conduct these sweeps, with women checking on female locker rooms, and men checking on male locker rooms. Any misconduct in the locker rooms will be dealt with by the coaching staff and could result in the swimmer being barred from being able to change in the locker room.

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 increase the risk for different forms of misconduct in locker rooms and changing areas. 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.