



PORTLAND JR. WINTERHAWKS LOCKER ROOM POLICY

To promote a safe environment for all members the Portland Jr. Winterhawks will work with screened volunteers to ensure locker room activities are supervised.

It is the policy of USA Hockey that all affiliates, districts, leagues and local hockey programs have at least one responsible adult directly monitoring the locker room during all team events to ensure that only participants (coaches and players), approved team personnel and family members are permitted in the locker room and to supervise the conduct in the locker room. Any individual meetings between a minor participant and a coach in a locker room shall require a responsible adult be with the coach.

Further, responsible adults must personally monitor the locker room environment at all times while participants are present and also make sure the locker room is appropriately secured during times when minor participants are on the ice.

Parents in Locker Rooms

With the exception of our youngest athletes (Mini Mites and Mites), parents/guardians are prohibited from entering locker rooms. In the event a player needs assistance with his or her uniform or gear, is injured, or a player's disability warrants assistance, we ask that a parent or guardian confer with a member of the coaching staff, in advance.

We encourage parents to teach their children, Mini Mites and Mites included, to dress independently.

Locker Room Use for All Athletes

We will make every effort to accommodate the dressing needs of all PJW athletes and this, at times, may require players to arrive earlier or leave later to dress. We will take reasonable measures to accommodate all athletes. Please notify a member of the coaching staff to arrange for privacy of dress before or after practices or games.

Cell Phones and Other Mobile Recording Devices

Cell phones and other mobile devices with recording capabilities, including voice recording, still cameras and video cameras, **are not permitted** to be used in the locker rooms. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Prohibited Conduct and Reporting

Physical abuse, sexual abuse, emotional abuse, bullying, threats, harassment and hazing, all as described in the USA Hockey SafeSport Handbook will not be tolerated. Participants, employees or volunteers in The Portland Jr. Winterhawks youth hockey association may be subject to disciplinary action for violation of locker room policies or for engaging in any misconduct or abuse or that violates the USA Hockey SafeSport Policies. To report any actual or suspected violations, you may email USA Hockey at SafeSport@usahockey.org or may call 1- 800-888-4656. Your local program contact is Karin Jewett, registrar@jrwinterhawks.com or Cell# 503-319-9901 ,the Oregon State Hockey Association representative is Jason Vaillancourt, osha.safesport@gmail.com or Cell# 503-704-8482.

ALL REPORTS WILL BE INVESTIGATED. REPORTS MAY BE MADE CONFIDENTIALLY.