

USE OF CHANGING ROOMS POLICY

Meadows City Tennis Club (MCTC) strives to ensure that all children are safeguarded from abuse and have an enjoyable tennis experience.

This document sets out the MCTC policy for the acceptable use of our changing rooms.

1. Groups of children will have sole use of changing rooms during Junior Sessions or Matches. 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. It is however Club policy that people come changed ready for playing.
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 changing, and toilet areas. In this instance the Café Toilet would be used by Adult and the Changing rooms would be used by Juniors.
4. Under no circumstances will adult staff, coaches or volunteers change at the same time as children using the changing rooms.
5. Mixed gender groups of children will have access to separate changing rooms, or use the same changing room but at different times.
6. 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 (n.b. 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 must not be used in changing rooms.
8. For younger groups of children, the coach would contact the Edinburgh Leisure member of staff for assistance and should a child need to use the changing rooms/toilet the responsible person would wait outside.
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.