



USE OF CHANGING FACILITIES POLICY

We are in the advanced stages of developing our premises, including changing facilities. Currently, March 2026, most players come to the club already changed, wearing suitably warm clothing e.g. tracksuits, and go home afterwards to change and shower. **Transgender people:** we aim to comply with Equality and Human Rights Commission Guidance on the provision of single-sex spaces in making decisions in relation to changing room provision.

POLICY ON THE USE OF CHANGING ROOMS

Coombe Wood Lawn Tennis Club strives to ensure that all children (anyone under 18) are safeguarded from abuse and have an enjoyable tennis experience.

This policy applies to all staff, coaches, volunteers, players, parents/carers and any other individuals associated with our club.

This document sets out the [venue] policy for the acceptable use of our changing rooms.

1. Groups of children will have sole use of changing rooms. This reduces any risks and potential vulnerability associated with mixing adults and children when changing and showering.
2. If adults and children need to share our changing rooms, they will do so at different times.
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, showering and toilet areas.
4. Under no circumstances will adult staff, coaches or volunteers change or shower 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. Mobile phones and other electronic devices must not be used in changing rooms.
7. 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.

8. 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.

This policy is reviewed every three years or earlier if national legislation or LTA guidance change

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