



SOUTH DELTA MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

SDMHA Electronic Device in Facility Change Room Policy

Effective October 25, 2017

BC Hockey states that the use of any form of camera, or personal digital assistant is **PROHIBITED** in any recreational facility change rooms during a BC Hockey sanctioned event. This applies to everyone including team officials, players, parents, siblings or anyone entering any facility change room occupied by SDMHA.

BC Hockey Cameras, Camera Phones, and Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs) Policy

Technology advancements have allowed cell phones and personal digital assistants (PDAs) to carry new functions such as cameras that allow users to secretly photograph objects in front of them while appearing to dial a telephone number. These phones are very popular and widespread.

The ability to take photos without others knowing has raised significant concerns for members within our branch. The potential exists for inappropriate/deviant use of camera phones by their operators photographing others undressing and showering in change rooms.

Unlike video cameras, cell phones do not require disguises to be brought into such sensitive areas as change rooms, bathrooms, etc.

The potential danger of violating an individual's privacy will not be tolerated by BC Hockey. Therefore, the following policy will take effect immediately.

Link to BC Hockey Policy: <http://www.bchockey.net/Administration/BulletinItem.aspx?id=159>

Additional SDMHA Policy Details

As of October 2017, South Delta Minor Hockey has updated our policy regarding the use of cellular phones and digital equipment in the change room. If a device with a camera is used in the change room, the first offense will result in a warning. If a device is used a second time, the player will receive a game suspension. If the device is used a third time, the player will be recommended for removal from the team or any combination of the above. Reinstatement to a team may be made through the Appeal Process.

This applies to everyone including team officials, players, parents, siblings.

What Is Expected

Please turn off and store cell phones and electronic devices when using the change room facility. In event you require to use you electronic device, exit the facility change room.