



PLAT LOCKER ROOM MONITORING POLICY

PURPOSE

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

FACILITIES

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

We practice at:

James W. Hardin Swim Center
400 N 23rd Street
Temple, TX 76504

This location has:

*(a) A locker room dedicated to our swimmers. This locker room has privacy stalls, open changing area and showers with curtains for privacy. **Parents are not allowed in the locker room at any time.***

(b) A restroom for the general public with privacy stalls. As such, there are likely to be people who are not associated with Platinum Aquatics in the restroom around the time of practice. Parents of same-sex swimmers who may need assistance may use the public restrooms.

(c) A restroom and shower/changing room in the coach's office for coaches only.

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. If they do not return in a timely fashion, we will check on the athlete's whereabouts.

Parents are not allowed to enter the locker rooms and changing areas at any time. 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 use the public restrooms.

Platinum Aquatics 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 constant monitoring inside of locker rooms and changing areas might be the most effective way to prevent problems, we understand that this would likely make swimmers uncomfortable and may even place our staff



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at risk for unwarranted suspicion. Therefore, we do not post coaches inside or at the doors of the locker rooms and changing areas. We do conduct a sweep of the locker rooms and changing areas before athletes arrive, and after athletes depart.

USE OF CELL PHONES AND OTHER MOBILE RECORDING DEVICES DISC

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.

DISCIPLINARY MEASURES

The coaching staff will have the authority to enforce disciplinary measures. The severity and/or continued abuse of the rules and expectations will determine the consequences. Consequences for Locker Room Policy Violations include but are not limited to the following:

- Verbal or Email reminder/warning.
- Meeting with the coaches.
- Temporary suspension from the facility, assigned group practices, or competitions as applicable.
- Permanent suspension from the team.
- Report to the proper legal authorities.

Any unruly or unsportsmanlike conduct by a PARENT or SWIMMER that diminishes the reputation of PLAT, or disrupts any practice, meet or team function, may result in immediate dismissal of the family from the team.