

# BROOMFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR YOUTH FOOTBALL: USE OF HOME DRESSING ROOMS



This code of conduct has been written based on latest FA guidelines for Child Safeguarding and we therefore ask all Youth Managers and Coaches to adhere to these guidelines at all times whilst using our Home Dressing Rooms.

As a basic principle, Broomfield Football Clubs asks that all youth players are encouraged to arrive for matches already changed in their football kit, wearing suitably warm outer clothing if required e.g. tracksuits and go home after matches to shower.

On occasions BFC youth teams may be allocated the use of dressing rooms (along with their opposition) to use before, during and after their home match. If your team is allocated the use of a home dressing room the following requirements must be adhered to:

- Dressing Rooms when allocated to Youth Football teams **must only be used by Youth teams and their coaches/volunteers**. Adult Football teams will **not share at ANYTIME** dressing room facilities with Youth Football Teams
- **Adult coaches /and or adult volunteers must not change at the same time as children and young people** using the same dressing room facilities
- **Use of shower facilities in the dressing room** by Youth Football teams is **strictly prohibited** at all times
- For mixed gender football teams, separate facilities must be available for boys and girls.
- Players of **ALL** youth teams using the changing rooms **should be supervised all times by at least TWO members of BFC coaching staff and/or parental volunteers**.
- If a youth player feels uncomfortable changing in public, then no pressure should be placed on them to do so. Instead, they should be encouraged to do so at home.
- If children with disabilities use our club, make sure they and their carers are involved in deciding how they should be assisted. Make sure the child or young person is able to consent to the assistance that is offered.
- **The use of mobile phones and/or photographic equipment by players, club officials, members, parents and young people is strictly prohibited within areas where children and young people are changing**

**FOR CLARIFICATION - THESE REQUIREMENTS APPLY TO ALL YOUTH FOOTBALL TEAMS FROM U18s AND BELOW**

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