



Safeguarding Children Policy

Guidelines on:

- 1. Changing Rooms and Showering Facilities**
- 2. Photography and Video Cameras**

Brook Cricket Club (the **Club**) is committed to ensuring that all children (being those persons under the age of 18) participating in cricket have a safe and positive experience. The Club's Safe Hands policies and procedures include the following guidelines on:

- changing rooms and showering facilities; and
- use of photography and video cameras.

A. Guidelines on Changing Rooms and Showering Facilities

1. Adults should try to change at separate times to children during matches (e.g. when padding up).
2. Adults will not shower at the same time using the same facility as children.
3. Parents of children playing in the Club's adult teams will be asked for their consent that their child(ren) can share the same changing rooms with adults in the Club and both parents and children will be informed of the Club's policy on changing arrangements.
4. In the event that the Club organises a mixed gender team, arrangements will be made for separate male and female changing rooms.

Please note that if children are uncomfortable changing or showering with at the Club, no pressure should be placed on them to do so. Encourage them to do this at home.

B. Guidelines on Photography and Video Cameras

1. Photographs/images are not to be taken at junior matches or training without the prior permission of the parents/carers of the children.
2. The children will be informed that a person will be taking photographs.
3. The children will be informed that if they have concerns they can report these to the coach or Team Manager.
4. Concerns regarding inappropriate or intrusive photography should be reported to the Club Welfare Officer and recorded in the same manner as any other Child protection concern.
5. The Club has set up, for Cricket tournaments/festivals/events/competitions, a camera registration book for parents to complete.

6. Before using images of children (for example on the web, in the media or in league handbooks), the Club will:
 - ask for parental permission to use their child's image and wherever possible show the image to the parents and child in advance;
 - ask for the child's permission to use their image;
 - if the child is named, avoid using their photograph;
 - if a photograph is used, avoid naming the child;
 - only use images of children in appropriate kit (training or competition); and
 - encourage the reporting of inappropriate use of images of children. If you are concerned, report your concerns to the Club Welfare Officer.
7. The Club may use video equipment as a legitimate coaching aid but will first seek parental consent. There is no intention on the part of the ECB to prevent Club Coaches using video equipment as a legitimate coaching aid. However, players and parents/carers should be aware that this is part of the coaching programme and care should be taken in the storing of such films. The parents/carers and children must provide written consent for the use of photography and video analysis.

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