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TO: VIAHA Executive, MHA Presidents

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SUBJECT: Co-ed Dressing Room Policy (BCH Bulletin #2005-30-A)

Please note the following policy that was issued by BC Hockey #2005-30-A:

Please be advised of the following clarification with respect to the existing BC Hockey policy on the subject of dressing room use by integrated teams.

1. In all cases where members of a team include both male and female players, the following dress code will apply in the team dressing room.
 - a) Male players will not undress to less than a minimum of shorts while females are present
 - b) Female players will not undress to less than a minimum of shorts and a tee-shirt while males are present.
2. When separate facilities exist for both male and female participants, male and females shall make use of these separate facilities in order to change to the point that they can adhere to the co-ed dress code noted above (Note: once dressed in accordance with the minimum requirements above, all players may return to the team [co-ed] dressing room).
3. When separate facilities do not exist for both male and female participants:
 - a) Players shall dress, undress and shower in shifts while maintaining the minimum dress code noted above.
 - b) Players of the under-represented gender shall be granted access to the shower facilities after the balance of the team.
4. It is the responsibility of the team to ensure that these guidelines are followed.

Should you have any questions regarding the application of the above guidelines, please contact your BC Hockey District Director.