



Lancashire Cricket Club Changing Room and Shower Facility Policy

Policy Statement

The Lancashire Cricket Club is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all participants in cricket. This includes ensuring that changing rooms and showering areas are safe, inclusive, and respectful environments. This policy outlines expectations and procedures to protect children, young people, and adults when using these facilities during cricket activities.

Document Control

Version	1
Supersedes	
Document Owners	Lancashire Cricket Club Safeguarding Manager
Authorised By	Board
Distribution Date	February 2026
Review Date	February 2027



Scope

This policy applies to all individuals associated with Lancashire Cricket Club, including but not limited to:

- All children and young people under 18
- Adults at risk
- Parents, legal guardians, coaches, volunteers, and officials
- All clubs, teams, and organisations affiliated with or supported by Lancashire Cricket Club and Foundation

This policy is binding on all individuals regardless of their role, status, or location when representing or participating in activities related to Lancashire Cricket Club

Aims of This Policy

- Promote the safety, dignity, and privacy of all individuals using changing and showering facilities
- Prevent inappropriate behaviour, abuse, or the risk of harm in shared or unsupervised spaces
- Ensure adults and children are not placed in potentially compromising or vulnerable situations
- Support clubs and organisations in implementing good practice regarding changing facilities.

Key Principles and Expectations

Supervision of Changing Areas

- Children under the age of 10 should be supervised in changing rooms by a same-sex parent or appropriate adult if required
- Adults must not change or shower at the same time as children in shared facilities
- Supervision should be balanced to ensure safety without infringing on children's privacy
- If supervision is required, two adults should be present (in line with the ECB's Two-Adult Rule).

Use of Shared Changing Facilities

- Where facilities are shared (e.g. at public sports centres), children and adults must change at separate times or in separate spaces
- If separate facilities are not available, changing should be managed through a rota or schedule that ensures groups are not mixing.

Photography and Mobile Devices

- The use of mobile phones or photographic devices is strictly prohibited in changing rooms or showering areas
- Signage should be displayed clearly reminding users of this rule
- Any concerns or breaches must be reported immediately to the Club Safeguarding Manager or the County Safeguarding Lead



Respecting Privacy and Inclusion

- Participants must always behave respectfully and be mindful of others' privacy
- Changing areas must be safe and inclusive for all, including those who may identify as LGBTQ+ or have additional needs
- Reasonable adjustments should be made for any individual requiring privacy or separate arrangements
- Lancashire Cricket Club in conjunction with the [Equality Act 2010](#) and the [Supreme Court Ruling](#) on single sex places, will ensure that single-sex services are provided based on biological sex. Reasonable adjustments will be made to any individual or group requiring privacy or separate arrangements and provide support to make facilities accessible. Lancashire Cricket Club has a duty of care to remove barriers to access and participation. This duty is 'anticipatory'.

Adults Playing in Junior Teams

- If an adult is participating in a junior team (e.g. disability cricket), they must have separate changing and showering arrangements
- Adults must not share changing rooms with under-18s, even if they are on the same team

Away Fixtures and Tours (vice versa)

- Clubs must plan ahead to ensure appropriate changing and showering arrangements are available
- A designated adult must oversee the safeguarding arrangements during trips or matches
- Written consent must be obtained from parents for children to participate in trips involving overnight stays or shared facilities

Reporting and Responding to Concerns

Any concerns about behaviour in changing or showering areas must be reported immediately to the Club Safeguarding Manager or the County Safeguarding Lead. Allegations or breaches will be taken seriously and responded to in line with ECB safeguarding procedures.

Responsibilities of Clubs and Coaches

- Ensure the policy is communicated to all relevant individuals, including children, parents and / legal guardians and staff
- Display signage in changing areas to reinforce safe behaviour and expectations
- Include changing room procedures in club safeguarding training and induction
- Review changing facilities for privacy and safety on a regular basis.

Monitoring and Review

This policy will be reviewed annually or following any safeguarding incident. Feedback from clubs, players, and safeguarding officers will inform you about any changes.