



## FLORIDA ATLANTIC AQUATICS



### “ Florida Atlantic Aquatics Locker Room 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:

*Florida Atlantic University Aquatic Complex  
555 Volusia Street, Boca Raton, FL 33431*

The location has:

*A changing area that is shared with the general public as well as Masters swimmers.  
As such, there are likely to be people who are not associated with Florida Atlantic Aquatics in the changing area around the time of practice.*

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



We discourage parents from entering locker rooms and changing areas unless it is truly necessary. 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 should let the coach know about this in advance, as well as complete the "Dual Relation Locker Rooms" Consent Form. In those instances, it should only be same-sex parent.

### ***FAA POLICY***

Florida Atlantic 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 we do not post coaches inside or at the doors of the locker rooms and changing areas, we do make occasional sweeps of these areas. Coaches conduct these sweeps, with women checking on female locker rooms, and men checking on male locker rooms.

## **USE OF CELL PHONES & OTHER RECORDING DEVICES**

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 areas.

**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.

If you have questions, please contact USA Swimming staff at [safesport@usaswimming.org](mailto:safesport@usaswimming.org)

