



British Columbia Inline Hockey Association

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Cell Phones, Cameras, Camera Phones, and Personal Digital Assistants (PDA's) Policy

With the advancement of certain technology allowing cell phones and personal digital assistants the capability to offer functions such as cameras that allow users the opportunity to secretly photograph objects in front of them while appearing to dial a number has raised significant concern to the BC Inline Hockey Association. The potential exists for inappropriate behavior of camera phone users photographing others undressing and showering in the dressing rooms.

The potential danger of violating an individual's privacy will not be tolerated by the BCIHA; and therefore the following policy will take effect immediately:

"The use of any form of camera, video camera, camera phone, or any other personal digital accessory capable of photographs is prohibited in any recreational facility change rooms during any BCIHA sanctioned event."

In an effort to ensure participant safety BCIHA has also implemented the following policy, also to take effect immediately:

"The use of a cell phone/personal digital assistant on the players' bench by any individual is strictly prohibited during any BCIHA sanctioned event"

In the event an individual is required to take a phone call, they should remove themselves from the bench area until they have finished their business provided there are other team officials remaining on the bench. Exceptions will be made for on-rink medical emergencies where a cell phone is required to call 911.

