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SUBJECT: Officials Dressing Rooms

Recently we have had some conflicts between coaches and officials with regards to the use of the Official's Dressing Room in a couple arenas across the city.

As everyone is aware the dressing room facilities in some arenas are quite small forcing coaches to change elsewhere for practices. Often this location becomes the Official's dressing room, which is acceptable when the practice is followed by another practice. Unfortunately when it is followed by a game the Officials need a place to properly prepare for their assignment. Much like the players, the officials (especially at higher levels) need their space to do their pre-game preparation in order to perform optimally.

Moving forward can I ask that you communicate the following to your coaches:

Officials have PRIORITY use of the official's dressing room, if your team's practice is followed by a game we ask that you kindly utilize an alternate area to change. This will allow the officials to properly prepare, and officiate the game at the highest level possible.

I thank you in advance for your support.

Regards,



Kevin Kobelka
Executive Director