

Child Supervision Policy

DSD AC train out of a number of different locations. It is important that there are adequate Supervision policies in place at each training location.

The policy at the Club is to have a 10:1 Athlete to Coach ratio. There should always be a mixed gender supervision pool available.

- Athletes arriving at the Irishtown and BCS training locations will be signed in by a volunteer at each location.
- Athletes will be assigned to a particular Coaching Group. The Coaching group is set up in a way to ensure the Coach Athlete ratio is adhered to and there is an appropriate gender balance in the Supervising adults.
- The Athletes are under supervision at all times during the session.
- Where a child becomes isolated during a training run the coach on duty will maintain visual contact with the child until the child has returned safely.
- Where an Athlete requires a bathroom break they will not be allowed go alone. They will either be accompanied by a friend & or a parent/coach as appropriate.
- A child will not be allowed to leave the Clubs training area without the prior agreement from the Supervising Adult.
- Where there are children sharing dressing room facilities with adults there should always be a coach present to supervise behaviour.
- No child should be left at a training location on their own. Typically there is at least a coach and another parent/adult athlete last to leave so a child that has not been collected can be looked after safely.
- The Clubs training locations are open locations and so can be accessed by third parties in some cases. The Coaches on duty and the sign-in volunteer's will endeavour to ensure there are no inappropriate individual incursions to the training are.