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TO: Board of Directors, California Amateur Hockey Association

Commissioner, Southern California Amateur Hockey Association President, Northern California Amateur Hockey Association

FROM: Steve Laing, President, California Amateur Hockey Association

SUBJECT: Locker Room Supervision

California Amateur Hockey has enjoyed another successful year, highlighted by continued growth at our youth, girls and adult age group, high school ice hockey, the roll-out and embracing of the American Development Model, and unparalleled results in national competition. Yet there is nothing more vital to the continued advancement of our sport than making it safe.

At the recent USA Hockey Annual Congress held in Colorado Springs, Colorado, a new policy on *Locker Room Supervision* was passed overwhelmingly by USA Hockey's Board of Directors.

Effective immediately, California Amateur Hockey Association will be implementing this new policy (see attachment) and incorporating it into our 2010-2011 Guidebook.

A couple of notes on this policy... our youth players need to know that their hockey environment is safe. This new policy will ensure that a responsible adult will be looking out for their welfare. Of course, all locker room monitors should be gender correct and the co-ed locker room policy must be followed as described in the current USA Hockey Guide. Also, all monitors must be screened and otherwise meet all USA Hockey screening standards, but do not need to be registered with USA Hockey.

Please forward this letter and the attached policy (or download and make copies) to everyone in your association who is in a leadership position or is responsible for the communication and implementation of policies and procedures.

In the near future, I will be sending you additional information about all USA Hockey Policies including Screening, Zero Tolerance and Gender Equity (co-ed locker room).

If you have any questions, please contact any member of CAHA Board of Directors or USA Hockey Member Services.

## **Steve Laing**

Attachment: USA Hockey Policy - Locker Room Supervision