



Policy Document

Athlete Mobile Phone Policy

Policy Purpose and Scope

The purpose of this policy is to outline the rules surrounding mobile phone use by athletes at BTYC.

Policy Description and rationale

Given BTYC's functional telephone system and capable staff, the need for athlete mobile phones in the gym, is limited to emergencies only.

What can often become a distraction, with modern apps and social media, can also easily become an unwanted vehicle for inappropriate/offensive videos, images and audio.

If athletes are 12 years old or below:

- Mobile phones can be brought to BTYC but must remain off the gym floor and in athlete's bags/lockers at all times.
- Mobile phones are not to be used, during class or break.

If athletes are 13 years old or above:

- Mobile phones can be brought to BTYC but must remain off the gym floor and in athlete's bags/lockers at all times.
- Mobile phones may be used during break times – However, mis-use of mobile phones in the view of other gym members through inappropriate/offensive videos, images and audio will be dealt with following the club's disciplinary procedure.

Failure to comply with the Mobile Phone Policy will result in disciplinary action.

Policy Exclusions

The only exception to the Mobile Phone policy, is on the occasion that BTYC's telephone system is compromised, through technical issues or staff availability, and emergency contact with families can only happen using the athlete's personal mobile phone.