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To: BCAHA Membership

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

Technology advancements have allowed cell phones and personal digital assistants (PDA'S) to carry new functions such as cameras that allow users to secretly photograph objects in front of them while appearing to dial a telephone number. These phones are very popular and widespread.

The ability to take photos without others knowing has raised significant concerns for members within our Branch. The potential exists for deviant behavior of camera phone users photographing others undressing and showering in change rooms.

Unlike video cameras, cell phones do not require disguises to be brought into such sensitive areas as change rooms, bathrooms, etc.

The potential danger of violating an individual's privacy will not be tolerated by the BCAHA. Therefore, the following policy will take effect immediately:

“The use of any form of camera, video camera, camera phone, or personal digital assistant (PDA) is prohibited in any recreational facility change rooms during any BCAHA sanctioned event”

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