

FOCUS ON FEMALE-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENTS - 1

Elements of a Female-Friendly Environment (FFE) include suitable changing facilities, equitable allocation of spaces/equipment, appropriate apparel/uniform, access to coaching and safe facilities.

KEY ELEMENTS



Clubs report that they are welcoming to women and girls (6.4) and provide access to coaches (6.3).

Clubs aren't as good at providing suitable changing facilities for women and girls (5.4) or addressing safety concerns (5.3).

BY SPORT



Clubs of NZ's most traditional sports (i.e., rugby, cricket, netball, rowing) need to work on providing suitable changing facilities for women and girls (4.6).

Racquet clubs (6.1) and golf clubs (6.3) are among those sports that do better.

CLUB SIZE



Clubs that are very large (i.e., 500+ members) do better providing gender appropriate apparel/uniform (6.1) than small clubs (i.e., >100; 5.5).

Very large clubs also do better (5.7) at addressing safety concerns than small clubs (5.2).

GOVERNANCE



Clubs with at least one female on the board/committee are more welcoming (6.5) than those with none (6.0).

Clubs with at least one female on the board/committee do much better providing gender appropriate apparel/uniform (5.8) than those with none (5.0).

\*All items measured on a disagree-agree 7-point scale.



QUOTES FROM SPORT CLUBS ABOUT FEMALE-FRIENDLINESS:

"Our female coaches are positive role models, good listeners, and someone they can count on. Girls that like their coaches keep playing" (Gymsports Club, Northland)

"Our female members know that their specific needs are met through club programmes and that any and all concerns and suggestions are considered" (Squash Club, Southland)

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