



# Smoke Free Policy

## Elsternwick Cricket Club Inc.

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### **Introduction**

The Elsternwick Cricket Club recognises that passive smoking is hazardous to health and that all non-smoking club members and guests have the right to be protected from exposure to tobacco smoke. The Occupational Health and Safety Act stipulates that all volunteers must have a safe working environment, while Victorian legislation states that food preparation and eating areas must be smoke-free. Accordingly, this policy applies to all club facilities, functions, meetings and activities undertaken by the club and applies to all officials, members, players and club guests.

### **Players, Officials & Coaches**

Officials, coaches, players and volunteers are encouraged to refrain from smoking and remain smoke free while involved in an official capacity for the club, on and off the field.

### **Facilities**

Indoor facilities at the club are to be completely smoke free including: -

- Social rooms, bar, kitchen and toilets.
- Player change rooms, toilets and showers.
- Property rooms and sheds.

The club will facilitate this by: -

- Banning the sale of cigarettes at or by the club.
- Removing ashtrays from all indoor facilities at the club.
- Placing cigarette butt bins at outdoor locations for smokers to dispose of cigarette butts before entering/ re-entering smoke free areas.

### **Functions**

Club functions, including social, fund raising events and meetings are to be completely smoke free. This applies whether the function is held at the club or at an indoor facility of another venue.

The club will facilitate this by: -

- Seeking assurance from the venue management of compliance with the club policy.
- Removing all ashtrays from any venue where a function is to be held.
- Enforcing a smoke free policy during the function.
- Promoting the function as smoke free in all invitations and advertising.



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### Policy Compliance

The Executive Committee will monitor the club's compliance with this policy.

Any non-compliance will be handled according to the following process: -

- In the first instance, explanation of the club policy to the person / people concerned, including identification of the areas in which smoking is permitted.
- Continued non-compliance with the policy should be handled by at least two committee members who will use their discretion as to the action taken, which may include asking the person/ people to leave the club facilities or function.

### Policy Promotion

The Executive Committee will promote the Smoke Free Policy regularly by: -

- Publishing a copy of the policy on the club website.
- Keeping a copy of the policy in the club rooms.
- Reinforcing the policy with patrons at social events and functions.
- Maintaining Level 3 Accreditation of the Australian Drug Foundation Good Sports Program.

### Policy Review

The Smoke Free Policy will be reviewed by the Executive Committee annually.

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