

SMOKING MANAGEMENT POLICY

Skate SA – Bylaw 14

1. PURPOSE

This policy outlines our procedures for tobacco and e-cigarette¹ use in venues at State trainings, games, special events, functions and other State related activities. It represents Skate SA's commitment to its members, volunteers and visitors, acknowledging the role that sporting clubs and associations play in building strong and healthy communities.

This policy will help to ensure our association:

- Meets its duty of care in relation to the health and safety of our members, volunteers and visitors who attend state trainings, games, competitions, special events, functions and other activities.
- Upholds the reputation of our association, our sponsors and partners.
- Understands the risks associated with tobacco use and our role in minimising this risk.

2. RATIONALE

Skate SA recognises that:

- Environmental (second-hand) tobacco smoke is a health hazard and that non-smokers should be protected from it.
- Role modelling can have a significant impact on the junior members of our association and clubs.
- Smoke free areas make smoking less visible and less acceptable and contribute to reduced uptake of smoking among young people.
- Smoke free areas support smokers who are trying to quit as well as reduce their overall cigarette consumption.
- Outdoor smoke free areas help to reduce the amount of cigarette butt litter reducing clean-up costs, fire risk and children's health risk due to swallowing discarded butts.
- Smoke free environments can help attract new members and positively promote our association in the community.

3. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

¹ The term 'e-cigarettes' includes Electronic Non-Nicotine Delivery Systems and Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems.

Smoking restrictions for sporting associations and clubs differ from state to state, and are strengthened regularly. Our association will comply with all relevant state and local government smoking restrictions.

Skate SA recognises the importance of educating clubs, members, and particularly players, of the benefits of implementing a smoking management policy and will provide information to assist this process. In addition, Skate SA will promote resources for members wishing to quit, including the national Quitline (13 78 48, quitnow.gov.au), where appropriate.

The following policy shall apply to all clubs' members, volunteers and visitors:

- Smoking in this policy includes the use of any form of e-cigarette device.
- Cigarettes, e-cigarettes and any other tobacco products will not be sold, including from vending machines, at any time at or by any of our clubs.
- Many young people hold parents, teammates and coaches in high esteem and smoking around them sends the message that smoking is okay. Therefore, we expect that coaches, players, officials and volunteers will refrain from smoking while involved in an official capacity for the association and clubs, on and off the field.
- To foster our association and clubs reputations as healthy environments, no images of association or club volunteers, members, officials, coaches and players smoking at club-related activities will be placed on social media.

4. SMOKE FREE AREAS

Skate SA requires the following areas of all club's facilities/sporting grounds to be smoke free:

- All indoor areas
- All outdoor playing/training areas
- All spectator areas (standing and seated, covered and uncovered)
- All canteen, catering, eating and drinking areas.

Smoke free areas will be signed (where possible) and promoted in club materials.

5. PROMOTING THIS POLICY

Skate SA will promote this policy regularly by:

- Placing a copy of the policy in club newsletters, printed member information and on the website.
- Promoting positive smoke free messages through our social media.
- Displaying a copy of the policy on our website and social media pages.
- Periodic announcements to members at functions.
- Placing non-smoking signage in prominent locations both indoors and outdoors.

6. NON-COMPLIANCE

All board/ committee members will uphold this policy and any non-compliance will be handled according to the following process:

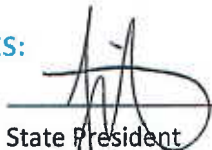
- Association and club members and/or guests should notify the board/committee of any breaches of this policy.
- A friendly approach will be made to the person smoking, explaining our association/club policy, and directing them to any areas where smoking is permitted.
- Continued non-compliance with the policy should be handled by at least two board/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.

7. POLICY REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed every 3 years to ensure it remains relevant to the association operations and reflects both community expectations and legal requirements.

SIGNATURES:

Signed:


State President

Date:

21/3/2019.

Signed:


State Development Officer

Date:

21/3/2019

Next policy review date is **March 2022**

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