

SMOKE FREE POLICY (VIC)

Renegade Pub Football League Inc.

RATIONALE

Renegade Pub Football League (RPFL) recognises that:

- Environmental (second-hand) tobacco smoke is a health hazard and that non-smokers should be protected from it.
- 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).

New Victorian legislation (*Tobacco Amendment Act 2013*) also bans smoking within 10 metres of a sporting venue that is an outdoor public place during underage (U18) competitions, training or practice sessions or any break or interval during these underage activities.

Accordingly, the following policy shall apply to all members, administrators, officials, coaches, players, spectators, visitors and other volunteers and/or staff of the club

GENERAL

- Cigarettes and other tobacco products will not be sold, including from vending machines, at any time at or by the RPFL.

SMOKE FREE AREAS

The RPFL requires the following areas of the club's premises to be smoke free:

- All indoor areas

- All bar and BBQ areas.

Smoke free areas will be signed (where possible).

NON-COMPLIANCE

All RPFL committee members will enforce the smoke free policy and any non-compliance will be handled according to the following process:

- Explanation of the RPFL policy and the VIC tobacco laws 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 facilities or function.

POLICY PROMOTION

The club will promote the smoke free policy by:

- Putting a copy of the policy on the website.
- Placing non-smoking signage in prominent locations both indoors and outdoors.

The club recognises the importance of educating club members, particularly players, of the benefits of implementing a smoke free policy and will endeavour to provide information to assist this process.

POLICY REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant to RPFL operations and reflects both community expectations and legal requirements.

SIGNATURE:

Luke Tracy, RPFL President

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Next policy review date is **4 April 2018**

ENQUIRIES

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