



SMOKE FREE POLICY (WA)

Guildford and Kalamunda Districts Swimming Club Inc
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RATIONALE

GKDSC recognises that smoke free environments protect non-smokers from the harmful effects of environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) and contribute to reducing tobacco consumption levels. We will encourage quitting attempts and discourage the uptake of smoking particularly by young people.

- 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 upon the junior members of the club.
- Smoke free areas make smoking less visible and less socially acceptable.
- 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 are advantageous in attracting new members as well as positively promoting the club in the community.

Accordingly, the following policy shall apply to all members, administrators, officials, coaches, players, spectators, visitors and other volunteers and/or 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 club.
- Coaches, players, officials and volunteers or any other person employed or representing GKDSC will refrain from smoking while involved in an official capacity for the club, on and off the field.
- No images of club volunteers, members, officials, coaches and players smoking at club-related activities are to be placed on social media.
- This No Smoking Policy will extend to all members at all times when wearing GKDSC, and/or sponsorship apparel.

SMOKE FREE AREAS

GKDSC requires the following areas of the club's training environments to be smoke free:

- All indoor and outdoor pool environments including participant and audience areas are 100% smoke free
- Both Guildford Grammar, and Darling Range Sports College are 100% smoke free venues. Smoking anywhere on school property is strictly prohibited

FUNCTIONS

- All functions (including presentation evenings, meetings and sponsorship VIP events, social and fundraising events and meetings) will be 100% smoke free.
- All venues where the sponsored programs and events are held will be 100% smoke free
- Invitations and advertising for functions, meetings and events will be promoted as smoke free.

NON-COMPLIANCE

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

- Explanation of the club policy and the WA 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 club facilities or function.

POLICY PROMOTION

The club will promote the smoke free policy regularly by:

- Putting a copy of the policy in club newsletters and printed member/player information and on the website.
- Promoting positive smoke free messages through the club's social media.
- Displaying a copy of the policy in the club social rooms.
- Periodic announcements to members at functions.
- 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 club operations and reflects both community expectations and legal requirements.

SIGNATURE:

Signed: 
Club President

Signed: 
Club Secretary

Date: 16/08/2018

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Next policy review date is **August 2019**

ENQUIRIES

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