



CAIRNS SAINTS FOOTBALL AND NETBALL CLUB SMOKING POLICY

Purpose

The Cairns Saints Australian Football and Netball Club recognise that passive smoking is hazardous to health and that non-smoking club members and visitors have the right to be protected from exposure to tobacco smoke.

The following policy shall apply to all club facilities, functions, meetings and activities undertaken by the club and will apply to all members, officials, players, supporters and club visitors.

Facilities

All club facilities are to be completely smoke free and shall include:

- The clubhouse inclusive of bar, kitchen, toilets, patio, playground, sporting field and storage area.
- Player change rooms inclusive of warm up area, toilets and showers, medical room and property room.
- Cigarettes will not be sold (including vending machines) at any time at or by the club players, officials and coaches.
- Coaches, players, trainers, volunteers and officials will refrain from smoking and remain smoke free while involved in an official junior and senior capacity for the club, on and off the field.

An outdoor designated smoking area is located under the tree between the clubhouse and the change rooms. The designated smoking area is to be clearly signed for all official functions and game days at the club. The designated smoking area is located within the club grounds to provide a safe location for any person/people that choose to smoke while participating in club related activities.

Juniors

The Cairns Saints Australian Football and Netball Club recognise that all junior related activities, including training, games, functions, the match day environment and any organised sporting event are to be completely smoke free whereby all members, officials, players, supporters and club visitors must at all times, refrain from smoking at the ground and in any situation where there are junior players and junior members of the club present. This smoke free ban also includes any intervals and/or breaks in play. The coverage of the ban includes the sporting ground or playing area, public seating at the grounds and any other area reserved for use by competitors and officials. This also includes a 10 metre non-smoking zone from all of these locations.

The Cairns Saints Australian Football and Netball club recognise the importance towards being a smoke free club to complement the club's desire to create a healthy, family friendly environment. The club believes that such an environment and image will be advantageous in attracting new members and positively promoting the club in the community.

Functions

All club functions including social and fund raising events and meetings are to be completely smoke free:

- Ashtrays will be removed from all club facilities.
- Bins will be provided at outdoor locations for smokers to dispose of cigarette butts before entering/ re-entering smoke free areas at club facilities.
- Smokers leaving the designated licensed area of the club will not be permitted to take alcohol from that area.

The designated licensed area of the club is located in the clubhouse and the undercover area. Further information on this is located in the Cairns Saints Australian Football and Netball Club Drugs and Alcohol Policy.

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 to the person/people concerned, including identification of the outdoor designated smoking area 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.

Promotion

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

The club will promote the smoke free policy regularly by:

- Publishing a copy of the policy in club newsletters, notice boards and at club sign-on events.
- Providing access on the club website.
- Periodic announcements to members at functions by the official Master of Ceremonies, Committee Members, senior members of the club and/or the bar manager on duty.

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