

Smokefree Policy of Port Fairy Golf Club



To comply with new legislature;

RATIONALE

The Port Fairy Golf Club is required by Victorian Law to adhere to minimum standards regarding smoking at sporting venues.

The amended Tobacco Act 1987 (Vic) bans smoking within 10 metres of an outdoor public sporting venue during an organised underage sporting event. The ban applies to outdoor dining and drinking areas, toilets, seating, and any part of the ground necessary for the running of the event.

Our club is also subject to Occupational Health and Safety Laws to provide a safe and smokefree workplace.

WHO IS AFFECTED BY THE LEGISLATION

The policy applies to all members, administrators, officials, coaches, green fee players, spectators, visitors and volunteers of the Port Fairy Golf Club.

SMOKEFREE AREAS

Junior Events

All areas of our facility are deemed smokefree during designated junior events as defined by the Victorian Tobacco Reform Act.

Non-Junior Events

At all other times, smoking is not permitted within 10 metres of any building. This includes but is not limited to the clubhouse, sheds, and the pro-shop.

Smoking is also not permitted at the first tee, practice greens or car park.

People wishing to smoke within the grounds must be considerate to those around them and they must carry a portable container to store ash and cigarette butts.

Smokefree areas will be signed and promoted in club materials as far as is reasonable.

DE-NORMALISING SMOKING FOR JUNIOR PLAYERS

Members and guests are encouraged to refrain from smoking during organised sporting events, even when at other venues.

Smoking by members operating in an official capacity for the club or in club uniform is strongly discouraged.

SUPPORTING MEMBERS WHO SMOKE

The club will promote QUIT and/or the Quitline on club materials from time to time.

FOLLOWING THE POLICY

There is strong community support for banning smoking at public places regularly attended by children. This means most people will voluntarily comply with the smoking ban and expect others to do so. If someone

contravenes this policy, the Port Fairy Golf Club Manager, committee member or club President will be expected to;

- 1) Approach the person who is smoking in a non-smoking area
- 2) Assume that the person is unaware of the policy
- 3) Politely ask them to refrain from smoking (or move to an area where smoking is permitted) and inform them of the club policy and smokefree legislation.
- 4) If they fail to comply, the Club Manager may determine an appropriate course of action.

Initially, the club will focus on educating members and guests on the policy, rather than strict enforcement.

REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed twelve months after being adopted and every three years thereafter or as is necessary.

RELATED LINKS

The following websites contain information pertaining to the Victorian State Smoking Legislation.

<http://www.health.vic.gov.au/tobaccoreforms>

<http://www.legislation.vic.gov.au/>

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Junior Events – For illustrative purposes only. Not to scale.



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