

MID GIPPSLAND F.L. SMOKEFREE POLICY

Rationale

The league recognises that Environmental Tobacco Smoke (ETS) is hazardous to health and that non – smokers should be protected from exposure to tobacco smoke.

Accordingly, the League has developed the following policy to apply to all League Facilities, Functions and activities from May 1, 2000. This policy applies to all members, administrators, officials, coaches, players and visitors of the Association when representing the League/Club or attending any League/Club facilities, functions or events.

Facilities

All League/Club administration and office areas to be 100% Smokefree.

All Social/Club rooms at the League to be 100% Smokefree

All change Rooms and Toilet blocks at the League /Club to be Smokefree

Smoking will not be permitted in any indoor spectator viewing areas

All indoor eating areas at League/Club to be 100% Smokefree

Cigarettes will not be sold (including from vending machines) at any time at the League/Clubs.

Functions

All official League Functions (including dinners, fund-raising events, meetings, social occasions) to be 100% Smokefree.

Invitations, menus, ect. to reinforce Smokefree status event.

Ashtrays will be removed from functionrooms where League functions are held.

Cigarette butt bins will be supplied at doorway entrances, encouraging smokers to dispose of cigarettes before entering indoor areas.

League Representatives

All League staff and officials to refrain from smoking whilst acting in an official capacity.

League representative players will refrain from smoking whilst in uniform

League representative coaches, trainers and officials will remain Smokefree whilst acting in an official capacity.

Education / Promotion

The League recognises that it has a role to play in educating club delegates about the benefits of implementing a Smokefree policy for their respective clubs, and will endeavor to provide clubs with appropriate information and resources to assist in this process.

The League will publish a copy of it's Smokefree policy in the League newsletter / football record / handbook.

The League will utilise PA announcements at events / functions to promote the Smokefree policy to patrons / guests.

Non-Compliance

All League Officials will police the Smokefree Policy on match days and at official functions.

Non-Compliance with this policy will be handled according to the following process:

1. Explanation of the League policy on smoking to person, including the identification of areas in which smoking is allowed.
2. In the case of continued non-compliance with the policy, League officials will use their discretion as to the steps to be taken, which may include asking the person to leave the premises or function.

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