



# No Smoking Policy

(including vaping and e-cigarettes)

The Health and Safety of officials and participants is of primary concern for North Beach Soccer Club

## WA Legislation

There is currently no legislation in WA which prevents people from smoking in open public spaces. In WA, it is illegal to smoke in enclosed public places, including clubs.

## Football Australia Regulations

The Football Australia No Smoking policy, as contained in the FA Member Protection Policy, applies to all levels of football:

1. No smoking shall occur at or near any sporting event or competition involving persons under the age of 18. This Policy applies to all coaches, managers, players, trainers, officials and volunteers.
2. Social functions shall be smoke free, with smoking only permitted at designated outdoor smoking areas.
3. Coaches, officials, trainers, volunteers and players shall refrain from smoking and remain smoke free while involved in an official capacity for any Club, Governing Body or Representative team, on and off the field.

## Vaping and e-Cigarettes

The North Beach SC **No Smoking Policy**, extends to the practice of vaping and any other activities related to e-cigarettes.

Most e-cigarettes, as advised by [HealthDirect](#), do not contain tobacco, but the toxic chemicals and flavourings in e-cigarettes could be very harmful.

In addition to health concerns, experts are also concerned that teenagers and other young people who wouldn't normally try tobacco cigarettes may be tempted by or attracted to vaping. There is a risk that e-cigarettes could normalize smoking and act as a gateway to tobacco cigarettes.

## North Beach Soccer Club Policy

North Beach SC recognises that smoke free environments help protect non-smokers from the harmful effects of tobacco smoke and contributes to reducing tobacco consumption levels.

The club will encourage quitting attempts and discourage the uptake of smoking.

All training, matches, or any other club-related event (including presentations, fundraising events, meetings, dinners, receptions and other social occasions) will be promoted as 100% smoke free. This includes all outdoor seating and other viewing areas.

No tobacco products will be sold at, or by the Club.

The Club will try to maintain areas so that smoking is not visible at any events or functions under its control. This especially includes areas such as the front of buildings, venue entrances and viewing and spectator areas.

No person, either employed by, or representing the Club in any capacity, shall smoke or be seen carrying tobacco products whilst acting in an official capacity.

The Club will not receive money, other benefits, or have arrangements with the tobacco industry (including sales, promotion or distribution of tobacco products).

The Club's promotional, fundraising and community activities will not feature, depict or promote smoking in any way.

The Club will encourage and support its officials, members, volunteers and participants to quit smoking.