



SMOKE FREE POLICY

PURPOSE

Greensborough Junior Football Club (GJFC) was established in 1964 and is the oldest junior football club in the Diamond Valley area. GJFC is a growing football club that aims to build the Diamond Valley's most inclusive and supportive community sporting club.

GJFC recognises the risks of smoking and vaping and complies with the *Tobacco Amendment Act 2013* which bans smoking within 10 metres of a sporting venue that is an outdoor public place during under 18 competitions, training or practice sessions – including during breaks or intervals.

SCOPE

This Policy applies to all players, families, volunteers, officials, members, administrators, spectators and visitors.

Throughout this Policy smoking refers to the use of cigarettes, e-cigarettes and vapes.

POLICY

- Cigarettes, e-cigarettes (vapes) 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 will refrain from smoking or vaping while involved in an official capacity for the club, on or off the field.
- No images of club volunteers, members, officials, coaches and players smoking or vaping at club-related functions are to be placed on social media.

Smoke Free Areas

GJFC requires the following areas of Anthony Beale Reserve to be smoke free:

- All indoor areas
- All outdoor playing/training areas
- All spectator areas (sitting, standing, covered, uncovered)
- All canteen, catering, eating and drinking areas.

Smoke free areas will be signed (where possible) and promoted in club materials. A designated smoking area is located at the space between the top and bottom ovals at the opposite end to the club rooms and in the carpark.

Functions

- Club functions, including social and fundraising events and meetings, held at club facilities are to be smoke free.
- Club functions, including social and fundraising events and meetings, held away from club facilities, are to be smoke free wherever possible.
- If provided, smokers may only smoke or vape at outdoor designated areas and are to dispose of cigarette butts safely before entering facilities.
- Invitations and advertising for functions, including meetings, will be promoted as smoke free.

Non-Compliance

All GJFC Committee members will enforce The Smoke Free Policy and any non-compliance will be handled according to the following process:

- Assume that the person is unaware of The Smoke Free Policy
- Politely explain The Policy and Victorian Tobacco laws to the person/people concerned, including identification of the areas in which smoking/vaping is permitted.
- Continued non-compliance 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 the club newsletters and printed member/player information packs and on the website.
- Promote positive smoke/vape free messages through the club's social media.



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- Displaying a copy of The Policy in the club social rooms.
- Periodic announcements to members at functions.
- Placing no-smoking/vaping signage in prominent locations both indoors and outdoors.
- Promoting resources for members wishing to quit, including the national Quitline (13 78 48/www.quit.org.au) where appropriate.

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 and Ownership

The contents of this document represent the current policy and procedures of GJFC.

This policy is subject to a review each year and will be amended appropriately.

Amendments will be communicated to members as and when appropriate to ensure that it remains current.

Approved by GJFC Committee.

Authorised by

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Scott Devers
President GJFC

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