



## Smoke Free Policy

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The Donvale Football Club has developed this policy in accordance with the EFL By-Laws requirements and recommendations from the AFL Community Club website.

Further information relating to this policy can be located on the EFL website at [EFL.org.au/resources/bylaws](http://EFL.org.au/resources/bylaws) (Section 17) and also the AFL Community Club Website at [AFLCommunityClub.com.au/Club hub/Policies & Guidelines](http://AFLCommunityClub.com.au/Club%20hub/Policies%20&%20Guidelines)

### **Introduction**

The Donvale Football Club recognised that passive smoking (inhaling second-hand smoke) is hazardous to health and that non-smokers should be protected from tobacco smoke. Passive smoking can lead to other serious illnesses such as bronchitis, lung cancer, cardiovascular disease, and chest illnesses in children.

Accordingly the following policy has been developed by the Donvale Football Club (the Club) to help protect people's health.

The move to go Smoke-Free also complements 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.

Legislation and the legal duty of care also provide reasons to have a Smoke-Free club. Under Common law the Club has a legal duty of care to ensure that employees, volunteers, players and officials are not exposed to potentially harmful situations.

The Occupational Health and Safety Act 2004 also stipulates that employees and working volunteers must have a safe environment to work in. Victorian Smoke-Free dining legislation also states that enclosed dining areas must be Smoke-Free.

This policy applies to all members, administrators, officials, coaches, players and visitors of the Club.

### **Designated Smoke Free Areas**

The Club requires the following areas to be Smoke-Free:

- Club and social rooms
- Changing rooms
- Indoor spectator viewing areas
- Eating areas
- Administration and office areas
- Toilet blocks
- Playing areas
- Near entries and exits of the Club's buildings

Clause 17.2 of the EFL Bylaws state that during junior matches smoking is banned within 10 metres of playing areas.