

## POLICY: SMOKE AND VAPING FREE

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### Introduction

DragonBoat SA (DBSA) recognises that passive smoking and vaping is hazardous to health and that non-smokers should be protected from tobacco smoke and smoke-free laws in South Australia have banned smoking and vaping in certain public spaces. It is expected that everyone is aware of, and compliant with, smoking laws.

SA Legislation bans smoking and vaping at or within 10 metres of children's playgrounds. This includes playground equipment located in public areas such as sporting venues, schools, parks, businesses.

Accordingly, the following policy devised by DBSA applies to all dragon boat clubs at training and race venues. This policy applies to all members, participants, administrators, officials, coaches, competitors and visitors of the Association.

### Purpose

Advise all members about this Smoke Free Policy and actively encourage them to comply with the policy which has been developed with information from SA Health.

### Policy

- DBSA policy requires that the following areas are maintained smoke and vaping free:
- as from 1 March 2024 smoking and vaping will be banned in all public areas at or within 10 metres of playing and viewing areas AT ALL TIMES during organized under-18 sporting events, including training/practice sessions in preparation for an organized sporting event and the actual event being conducted. It includes
  - Administration, dining, eating and office areas
  - Change rooms and toilet blocks
  - All indoor areas of boat sheds
  - Outdoor spectator grandstands and seated areas
  - Access to seated areas, toilets and food outlets.
  - The marshalling area, warmup area, podium or other part of the venue reserved for the use of participants in the sporting event.
- SA Health has produced A4 posters specifically designed to be displayed and available from their website at [clearingtheair.sa.gov.au](http://clearingtheair.sa.gov.au).
- DBSA requires that coaches, trainers, volunteers and officials refrain from smoking or vaping while they are acting in an official capacity.
- DBSA will encourage participants to refrain from smoking or vaping in full public view while in uniform by reminding them of relevant policy (or words to that effect)
- DBSA will ensure the effects of smoking and vaping on performance will be discussed with junior participants as well as incorporating Smoke-free behavior into the code of behavior for coaches and participants.

Any person/persons found in breach of this policy may be approached by a DBSA Official and asked to refrain from smoking or vaping in the non-smoking area. If the offence continues the person will then be asked to leave the venue.

#### References:

- South Australian Government. How to become a smoke-free recreation or sporting organisation 2020. Available from: <https://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/wps/wcm/connect/public+content/sa+health+internet/public+health/smoking+the+rules+and+regulations/how+to+become+a+smoke+free+recreation+or+sporting+organisation>.



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