



POLICY: NO SMOKING/VAPING

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Purpose

This policy outlines the for No Smoking and Vaping.

Scope

Staff	Board Members	Delegated Authorised Person(s)	Associations & Clubs	Volunteers	Players & Club Members	Contractors (including employees of contractors) & Suppliers	Consultants
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Policy

Bowls SA recognises that tobacco smoke is a health hazard, and the No Smoking / Vaping Policy was developed to address concerns about the effects of smoking / vaping and passive smoke on players, volunteers, officials, staff, and spectators, especially those with pre-existing health conditions such as respiratory or cardiovascular conditions.

Going smoke-free is a positive step towards a healthier future for all, and Bowls SA and Member Clubs have a duty of care to ensure that a safe and healthy environment is provided for the game to be played.

The Bowls SA No Smoking / Vaping Policy relates to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, electronic cigarettes, and vapes and applies to pennant competitions, all Bowls SA events including State events and to Bowls SA representatives participating in intrastate, national, and international events.

No smoking or vaping shall occur at or near sporting events involving children and young people under the age of 18. This policy shall apply to coaches, players, trainers, officials, visitors, staff and volunteers.

- Social events shall be smoke and vape free, with smoking or vaping permitted at designated outdoor areas as per local council regulations.
- Coaches, officials, trainers, volunteers, staff, and players will refrain from smoking and vaping while they are involved in an official capacity in our sport.

Member Clubs may resolve to be totally smoke and vape free or provide a designated area for smokers and vapers, duly signposted, which is well away from the playing area and clubhouse and conforms to Liquor Licensing Act and local Council requirements.

It is the obligation and responsibility of Bowls SA and Member Clubs to signpost and remind all bowlers, volunteers, officials, staff, and spectators that a No Smoking / Vaping Policy applies and direct anyone in breach of the policy to extinguish their cigarette, cigar or pipe and refrain from using an electronic cigarette or vape or, if available, move to the area designated for smokers and vapers.



Breaches and Misuse

If a player persists in breaching the policy the most senior official or most senior representative present will be obliged to issue an Infringement Notice and advise the player that the incident will be formally reported to the Member Club Executive Board and, if considered necessary, to Bowls SA.

If a volunteer, official, staff member or spectator continues to breach the policy the most senior official or most senior representative present will be obliged to issue a second warning and request that they extinguish their cigarette or cease using their device and leave the Club grounds.

Upon receipt of a formal report the Member Club Executive Board will investigate and determine the most appropriate action as defined in the Disciplinary clauses of their Constitution.

Should it be deemed necessary to lodge a formal report with Bowls SA, the Board will investigate and determine the action applicable utilising the Bowls SA Constitution and the Bowls SA Fines, Penalties & Lodgement Fees.

In addition to any penalty or disciplinary action that may result from a reported and proven breach of the policy by a member of a Member Club or a Member Club, who has not ensured that their premises are compliant with the policy and the Liquor Licensing Act and local Council requirements, the Board of Bowls SA may impose a fine of up to \$1,100.

References, Legislation & Industrial Instruments

- [Smoking and tobacco laws in Australia](#)
- [SA Health - Smoking, the rules and regulations](#)
- [Good Sports- SA Spoking Law and requirements](#)

This policy & procedure is not intended to override any industrial instrument, contract, award, or legislation.

Policy Reviews and Updates

Version History

Version	Changes	Endorsement date:	Endorsed by:
V1	In line with Legislation	November 2023	Board

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