



MILDURA ROWING CLUB

Smoke-free Policy

The Club recognises that passive smoking is hazardous to health and that non-smoking club members and visitors have the right to be protected from exposure to tobacco smoke. Accordingly, the following policy shall apply to all club facilities for all activities undertaken by the club and will apply to all members, officials, players and club visitors.

Facilities

- All club facilities are to be completely smoke-free including the boatshed, social room, bar, kitchen, toilets and storage areas.
- Ashtrays will be removed from all club facilities
- Cigarettes will not be sold (including vending machines) at any time at or by the club.

Players, Officials and Coaches

Coaches, rowers, volunteers and officials will refrain from smoking while involved in an official capacity for the club.

Functions

All functions held within the clubhouse, including non-club functions, are to be completely smoke-free.

All club functions held away from the club facilities are to be completely smoke-free and shall require an assurance from the venue management of compliance with the club policy before a booking is confirmed.

Non Compliance

All club committee members will enforce the smoke-free policy and any non-compliance will be handled according to the following process:

- Explanation of the club policy to the person/people concerned, including identification of the areas in which smoking is permitted
- Continued non-compliance with the policy 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 facility or function.

Policy Promotion

The club will promote the alcohol management policy regularly by:

- Publishing a copy of the policy in the club newsletter and on the website
- Displaying a copy of the policy in the club social rooms
- Periodic announcements to members at functions

The club recognises the importance of educating club members, particularly rowers in the benefits of implementing a smoke-free policy and will endeavour to provide information to assist this process.

The club will actively participate in the Australian Drug Foundation Good Sports Program with an ongoing priority to maintain Level 3 accreditation.

Policy Review

To ensure this policy continues to be relevant for club operation and reflects community expectations the policy will be reviewed annually.