



BELLARINE SHARKS A.F.C.

SMOKE FREE POLICY

Our club recognises that passive smoking is hazardous to health and those 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, functions, meetings, and activities undertaken by our club and will apply to everyone.

Facilities:

All club facilities are to be 100% smoke free and will include:

- Clubrooms including bar, kitchen, meeting room, toilets, and storage areas.
- Player change rooms including toilets and showers area.
- Referees change room, including toilet and shower area.
- Main entrance including veranda and adjacent area.
- Inside the fence line on or about the playing area/technical area during training or games.

Functions:

All club functions including social and fundraising events & meetings are to be 100% smoke free:

- Ashtrays are to be removed from all club facilities.
- Cigarette butt bins to be provided at outdoor areas for smokers to dispose of cigarette butts before entering/re-entering smoke free areas.

Smoking Area:

A smoking area has been designated at the South end of our clubrooms near the side entrance.

- Cigarette butt bins will be provided at this area for smokers to dispose of cigarette butts.

All members and visitors must abide by our club's smoke free policy

- Members and visitors who wish to smoke should only smoke in the designated smoking area at the South end of the clubrooms.
- At no time shall members or visitors smoke in close proximity to children.
- Members and visitors must comply with Football Federation Victoria's 2009 Rules of Competition that state:
 - *It is prohibited for anyone to smoke within the confines of the playing barrier fence. This includes the team bench, within the technical area and anywhere on or near the touchline.*
 - *Clubs are responsible for ensuring that smokers are confined to legitimate public areas at a safe distance from the playing field.*
 - *If any person is in breach of this rule, both the individual and any Club of which that person is a member may be fined and face disciplinary action under the FFV Grievance Disciplinary and Tribunal By-Law.*