

DYNAMIC RUNNING LTD

SMOKE FREE POLICY



Rationale

Dynamic Running Ltd recognises that:

- Environmental (second-hand) tobacco smoke is a health hazard and that non-smokers should be protected from it.
- Role modelling can have a significant impact upon the junior members of the club.
- Smoke free areas make smoking less visible and less socially acceptable.
- Smoke free areas support smokers who are trying to quit as well as reduce their overall cigarette consumption.
- Outdoor smoke free areas help to reduce the amount of cigarette butt litter (reducing clean-up costs, fire risk and children's health risk due to swallowing discarded butts).
- Smoke free environments are advantageous in attracting new members as well as positively promoting the club in the community.

Queensland legislation (*Tobacco and Other Smoking Products Act 1998*) also prohibits smoking:

- In any part of sport facilities managed by Stadiums QLD
- At fenced sporting grounds at which persons may consume food or drink purchased at the ground
- Outdoor eating and drinking areas where food and drink are provided as part of a business
- Indoors, if you hold a liquor license.

Accordingly, the following policy shall apply to all members, administrators, coaches, runners, spectators, visitors and other volunteers and/or or staff of the club.

General

- Cigarettes and other tobacco products will not be sold at any time through the club.
- Runners, coaches and volunteers will refrain from smoking while involved in an official capacity for the club.
- No images of club volunteers, members, coaches and players smoking at club-related activities are to be placed on social media.

Smoke Free Areas

The **Dynamic Running Ltd** requires the following areas to be smoke free:

- All indoor areas
- All outdoor training areas
- All spectator areas (covered and uncovered)
- All canteen, catering and eating and drinking areas (as applicable)

Smoke free areas will be signed (where possible) and promoted in club materials.

Functions

- Club functions, including social and fundraising events and meetings are to be smoke free wherever possible.
- If provided, smokers may only smoke at outdoor designated smoking areas and are to dispose of cigarette butts safely before entering facilities.
- Invitations and advertising for functions, meetings and events will be promoted as smoke free.

Non-compliance

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

- Explanation of the club policy and the Queensland tobacco laws 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 Board members who will use their discretion as to the action taken, which may include asking the person/ people to leave the club facilities or function.

Policy Promotion

The club will promote the smoke free policy regularly by:

- Putting a copy of the policy in club newsletters and printed member/runner information and on the website.
- Promoting positive smoke free messages through the club's social media.
- Periodic announcements to members at functions.
- Placing non-smoking signage in prominent locations both indoors and outdoors.

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

Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant to club operations and reflects both community expectations and legal requirements.

Signature

Signed: _____
Managing Director

Signed: _____
Club Secretary

Date: _____

Date: _____

Next policy review date is **19 October 2017**

