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# West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd (Club Dubbo)

# **Smoke-Free Greens Policy**

### 1. Policy Statement

West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd is committed to protecting the health and safety of all its members by adopting a 'Smoke-Free Greens' Policy for all organised sporting events conducted by the Club.

West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd acknowledges and endorses the 'Tobacco Amendment Bill 2012' which amends the 'Smoke Free Environment Act 2000'. West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd acknowledges the damage that cigarette smoke can cause and the highly addictive nature of the habit. Please note, this policy includes the use of e-Cigarettes & Vaping utensils.

West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd also acknowledges that councils across the State have imposed smoking bans on council owned property while children are playing sport or enjoying recreational activity and in some cases, banned smoking outright. It is also acknowledged that other State Governments have banned smoking on greens and surrounds.

### 2. Application

West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd 'Smoke-Free Greens' Policy applies to all organised sporting events that are conducted at the Club. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Social Bowls
- Club Championships
- Junior Bowling events
- Region, State and National body events (Including Pennant competition)
- Organised competitions or tournaments hosted by West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd
- Any other organised sporting event hosted by West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd that is deemed appropriate to adhere to this policy.

## 3. Designated smoking areas

West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd may on occasion have designated smoking areas available for participants and spectators. Designated smoking areas will be advertised at the commencement of play at each organised sporting event and will be enforced by employees of the Club who are tasked with the overall management of the Club and its licensed boundaries.





### 4. Signage

Signage will be placed around the playing surfaces and surrounding spectator areas advising patrons of the Non-Smoking areas. West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd reserves the right to alter any signage material placed on its licensed premises to advise patrons of the Club's Non-Smoking areas. Patrons are required to abide by any reasonable direction given by Club employees who are tasked with the day to day management of the Club and its licensed boundaries.

Failure to adhere to a reasonable directive from an employee of the Club may result in the patron being asked to leave the Club's licensed premises, including the Bowling Greens, surrounding spectator areas and carpark. Members of West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd may face disciplinary action from the Board of Directors, up to and including suspension or expulsion from membership if they fail to follow a reasonable directive from an employee of the Club.

#### 5. Lodgement of complaints relating to this policy.

West Dubbo Bowling Club Ltd encourages all patrons to first contact the Club's Chief Executive Officer (Secretary) with any concerns relating to this policy and its enforcement. Please forward all correspondence in writing to:

ceo@clubdubbo.com.au or PO BOX 6010 Dubbo West NSW 2830

### To lodge a complaint direct to NSW Health:

https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/tobacco/Pages/let-us-know-reports-complaints.aspx

or

#### Call your local PHU (public health unit)

Dubbo Public Health Unit (Far West and Western NSW LHD) PO Box 4061, Dubbo, 2830 Phone: 02) 6809 8979

Fax: 02) 6332 3137 After Hours mobile 0428 400 526

#### To learn more about Smoke-Free laws:

https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/tobacco/Pages/smoke-free-laws.aspx

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