Smoke Free Policy

Overview

Tobacco smoking is the largest single preventable cause of death and disease in Australia today. The Bendigo Baseball Association as a member of the Victorian Baseball Association (VBA) recognise that Environmental Tobacco Smoke (ETS) is hazardous to health and that non-smokers should be protected from exposure to tobacco smoke.

Therefore, the VBA and Bendigo Baseball Association have jointly established the following policy to apply to all facilities, functions and activities as from the 1st October 2001. This policy applies to all members, administrators, officials, coaches, players, and visitors of the Bendigo Baseball Association at the Park/Reserve or attending any Bendigo Baseball Association, function or event.

Facilities

- All Pavilions at Park/Reserve will be 100 % smoke free.
- All indoor areas of the Pavilions at Park/Reserve including foyer and toilets will be 100 % smoke free
- All change room areas of the Pavilions at Park/Reserve will be 100% smoke free
- Cigarettes will not be sold or dispensed from a vending machine at Pavilions at Park/Reserve at any time.

Functions

- Any official function of the Bendigo Baseball Association will be 100% smoke free. This applies to Awards Dinners, social gatherings, and committee meetings.
- All printed material emanating from the Bendigo Baseball Association in relation to functions will reinforce the smoke free status of the function/event
- Ashtrays will be removed from any function and/or meeting room where Bendigo Baseball Association meetings or functions are held.
- Receptacles will be provided at doorway entrances to minimise rubbish left by smokers and to encourage smokers to dispose of cigarettes before entering indoor areas.
- No smoking signage will be displayed in the Pavilions at Park/Reserve.

Bendigo Baseball Association Officials

- Officials of the Bendigo Baseball Association will refrain from smoking whilst acting in an official capacity.
- Bendigo Baseball Association players will refrain from smoking or chewing or dipping tobacco whilst in uniform or representing the association in any capacity on or off the field.
- Bendigo Baseball Association coaches, managers, team managers will refrain from smoking, dipping or chewing tobacco whilst acting in any official capacity on or off the field.

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