

POLICY

Smoke Free

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The purpose of this document is to assist with the provision of a safe work environment for our volunteers and members.

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Objectives

The objectives of SwimmingSA in banning smoking in swimming areas are to:

- ⊗ Improve the health of members;
- ⊗ Improve the environment that our athletes are training and competing in
- ⊗ Improve public amenity and maintenance of property;
- ⊗ Raise community awareness of the issues associated with smoking;
- ⊗ Provide community leadership in taking measures to protect the health and social wellbeing of the community;
- ⊗ Minimise cigarette butt pollution.

Principles

This policy recognises that SwimmingSA has:

- ⊗ An obligation to promote public health outcomes where SwimmingSA utilises assets and services intended to be of benefit to children and other members of the community;
- ⊗ An understanding that the damaging effects of passive smoking while well documented in regard to indoor areas, is also beginning to emerge in regard to outdoor areas; and
- ⊗ An acknowledgement that the indirect effects of people smoking in an outdoor area can result in children playing with and swallowing discarded cigarette butts; cigarette-derived particles accumulating on clothing and skin; and smoking causing sensory irritations such as eye watering, coughing, difficulty in breathing or asthma.

Signage

The following should signposted, wherever practicable, to provide smoke-free zones:

Examples:

- ⊗ Within 10 (ten) metres of all children's playgrounds;
- ⊗ Around all swimming centre, indoor and outdoor facilities;
- ⊗ On all land used for spectator seating
- ⊗ Within 10 (ten) metres of building entrances;

Signs should be installed in prominent places in the open space areas listed above. The signs should include the international no-smoking symbol