



Policy #11

Smoke Free Policy

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Little Athletics Tasmania Smoke Free Policy

The Tasmanian Little Athletics Association (TLAA) understands the harmful effects of smoking on health, fitness and performance in sport and that passive smoking is also hazardous to health. It is acknowledged that non-smokers should be protected from the involuntary inhalation of tobacco smoke and as a result the TLAA has adopted the following Policy.

On the 1st March 2012 new legislation was introduced into Tasmania to protect individuals from harmful second-hand smoke.

Do not smoke within 20 metres of competition, seating or marshalling areas at outdoor sportsgrounds while a sporting event is being conducted.

This includes all sporting events, irrespective of the type of ground.

It includes the period 30 minutes before and after the sporting event. It does not include informal or impromptu sporting activities.

Smoking shall not be permitted in any competition or spectator area during any Little Athletics competition. Parents, administrators, coaches and officials have a responsibility as role models, particularly when involved at Little Athletics Centres and at TLAA Events.

Premises

Premises and competition areas are declared smoke free zones – smoking is only permitted where a special smoking area is designated, and in accordance with legislative requirements.

Athletes/Participants

Athletes/Participants are reminded that smoking adversely affects performances and are prohibited from smoking whilst engaged in Little Athletics activities.

Coaches and Officials

Coaches and Officials are reminded of their responsibilities as role models particularly with junior athletes and are asked to refrain from smoking whilst associated with our sport.

Spectators

Spectators are reminded that smoking is inappropriate behavior in a sporting environment and are asked to respect our Smoking Policy.

Visitors

Visiting Athletes, Coaches, Officials and Administrators are also asked to respect our Smoking Policy.

Non Compliance

Non compliance with this Policy will be handled by an explanation of the TLAA Smoke Free Policy, and reference to the Tasmanian Legislation, to the person, including the identification of areas in which smoking is permitted. In the case of continued non-compliance with the Policy, The TLAA Board, or a Centre representative will use their discretion as to the steps to be taken, which may include asking the person to leave the premises, event or function.

Contact

Anyone wishing to discuss any aspect of this Policy is invited to contact the TLAA Office on 1300 888 713, email office@taslittleathletics.com.au



NO SMOKING WITHIN 20 METRES OF SPORTS COMPETITION OR SEATING AREAS

Penalties Apply

Public Health Act 1997
Department of Health and Human Services

