



SMOKING BAN

Australian Oztag is committed to promoting a healthy and safe environment for all participants, spectators, and staff involved in our events. As part of this commitment, Australian Oztag has implemented a smoking ban policy to protect the health and well-being of everyone at our venues. This fact sheet provides information about the Smoking Ban Policy and its importance in creating a smoke-free environment for Oztag events.

- Australian Oztag prohibits smoking at all Oztag venues, including playing fields, spectator areas, and event facilities.
- This policy applies to all individuals, including players, coaches, officials, volunteers, spectators, and staff, and extends to all forms of smoking, including cigarettes, cigars, pipes, electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes), and other vaping devices.
- The smoking ban is enforced at all times during Oztag events, including training sessions, competitions, tournaments, and other organised events.

PROTECTING HEALTH

Smoking poses significant health risks to both smokers and non-smokers, including respiratory problems, heart disease, cancer, and other serious illnesses. By implementing a smoking ban, Australian Oztag aims to reduce exposure to second hand smoke and promote the health and well-being of everyone at our venues.

CREATING A FAMILY-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT

Oztag events are often attended by families, children, and individuals of all ages. A smoke-free environment ensures that everyone can enjoy the experience without being exposed to the harmful effects of tobacco smoke.

SETTING A POSITIVE EXAMPLE

Australian Oztag recognises the influence of sports organisations in shaping community norms and behaviours. By adopting a Smoking Ban Policy, we set a positive example for our participants, supporters, and the broader community, encouraging healthier lifestyle choices and attitudes towards smoking.



COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT

- Compliance with the Smoking Ban Policy is mandatory for all individuals attending Oztag events. Signs and notices will be prominently displayed at venues to inform participants and visitors of the smoking ban.
- Australian Oztag officials, venue staff, and volunteers are responsible for enforcing the smoking ban and addressing any violations promptly and courteously.
- Individuals who fail to comply with the smoking ban may be asked to refrain from smoking, move to designated smoking areas (if available), or leave the venue if necessary. Repeat offenders may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with Australian Oztag's code of conduct and policies.

SUPPORT AND RESOURCES

- Australian Oztag encourages individuals who smoke to consider quitting and offers support and resources to help them in their journey towards a smoke-free lifestyle.
- Information about smoking cessation programs, helplines, and resources will be made available to participants and spectators through Australian Oztag's website, newsletters, and other communication channels.

The Smoking Ban Policy is an important initiative by Australian Oztag to promote health, safety, and inclusivity in our sporting community. By working together to create a smoke-free environment, we can ensure that everyone can enjoy Oztag events in a safe, healthy, and enjoyable atmosphere.

For more information about the Smoking Ban Policy or to access smoking cessation resources, please contact Australian Oztag at info@oztag.com.au