
TO: All Sponsored organisations, participants, project associates, support staff, security, volunteers, committee members and ambassadors
RE: Smoke Free Policy – Staff Briefing Notes

This event / program is proudly sponsored by **Healthway**. As a minimum condition of sponsorship, it is **compulsory** for all organisers, participants, project associates, support staff, security, volunteers, committee members and ambassadors to adhere to the Smoke Free policy requirements outlined below. Please ensure that all areas under your control are Smoke Free for the duration of the event / program.

SMOKE FREE EVENT

This is a completely Smoke Free event / program. Smoking (including carrying tobacco products) will not be tolerated in any capacity by any individual, organiser, participant, project associate, support staff, security, volunteer, committee member or ambassador. Smoking within the property of the event / program, could potentially jeopardise future sponsorships with Healthway.

Thank you for your commitment to providing a healthy environment for everyone involved in the production of this event / program.

If you encounter someone smoking at the event

- Approach the smoker and politely remind them that the event is Smoke Free.
- Indicate that patrons can smoke out of the venue / event and direct them accordingly.
- Thank the smoker for moving out of the area to smoke.
- If unsuccessful, give the smoker a repeated warning and advise them that security staff will be informed if they continue to smoke.
- If you are unable to persuade the smoker to adhere to the policy, advise security staff who may then ask them to leave the area.

E-CIGARETTES

- The use of electronic or e-cigarettes of any kind are prohibited in all venues (both indoor & outdoor) under the control of Healthway sponsored organisations.

THE FACTS

- The vast majority of Western Australians are non-smokers and there is strong community support for a 'Smoke Free WA'. Experience shows that the majority of smokers are respectful of the rights of others and will comply with smoking restrictions.

PASSIVE SMOKING

- Passive smoking is breathing in other people's cigarette smoke, which is exposure to second hand smoke.
- The evidence is clear that exposure to other people's tobacco smoke can be harmful. It can cause lung cancer, heart disease, respiratory illness and a range of health problems.
- There is no risk-free level of exposure to second hand smoke.

SMOKING AND YOUR HEALTH

- Smoking is a major risk factor for heart disease, stroke and a range of cancers.
- Each year tobacco use kills more than 15,500 Australians.
- Stopping smoking has major and immediate health benefits, no matter what age a person is when they quit.
- For help to quit, call the Quitline on 13 7848 or the Cancer Council Helpline on 13 1120.