



## Smoke-Free Event Policy

The U.S. general surgeon reports there is no risk-free level of exposure to secondhand smoke. Secondhand smoke can come from any tobacco product (cigarettes, e-cigarettes, vape pens) or cannabis products. Secondhand smoke exposure can cause disease and premature death in children and adults who do not smoke. Breathing secondhand smoke for even a short time can have immediate effects on the cardiovascular and respiratory system. Use of tobacco products or cannabis products in public is a risk factor for our youth, contributing to increased acceptance and establishing permissive community norms. This increases the likelihood that youth and young adults will try tobacco or cannabis products.

### Guideline Statement:

- Smoking tobacco and cannabis products, including e-cigarettes and vape devices, in proximity of children, youth, and adults is unhealthy and detrimental to the health of others.
- Tobacco and cannabis products, including e-cigarettes and vaping devices, when used in public space are often discarded to the ground, increasing litter, and potentially posing a risk of ingestion to young children.
- Secondhand smoke is harmful in both indoor and outdoor settings. Exposure to secondhand smoke is the third leading cause of preventable death in the United States.

### Policy Statement:

The \_\_\_\_\_ committee has prohibited smoking on the entire property of the \_\_\_\_\_ for the duration of \_\_\_\_\_. This policy statement includes e-cigarettes, all vaping devices, and all cannabis products. No Smoking signs will be posted as a friendly reminder to visitors that the event is smoke free. The emphasis on enforcing the smoke-free event policy is through voluntary compliance. The designated smoking area for the event is \_\_\_\_\_ feet from the perimeter in all directions.

**\*\*This policy aims to create a healthy environment to protect the overall health and well-being of everyone in attendance at this community event. The policy is effective immediately upon the date of adoption.**

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Signature of authorized representative

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