

# Smokefree Sports



Bowls Victoria support the *Going Smokefree* Quit Victoria program to encourage Victorian sporting clubs to go smokefree.

Going smokefree is one of the best things you can do for your club and your community. It creates a healthy environment and reinforces the message that tobacco and sport don't mix.

## Going Smokefree: A Guide for Sporting Clubs

Quit has a range of resources such as factsheets, member survey, policies and posters to prepare and help your club to go smokefree.

[Quit's Website: Sporting Clubs – Tools & Resources](#)

## Underage Sporting Events

Since 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014, smoking is banned during organised under 18 events.

Smoking is banned within 10 metres of an outdoor public sporting venue during organised underage sporting events and training sessions. The ban applies to within 10 metres of outdoor spectator seating as well as outdoor dining and drinking areas.

[FactSheet: Ban on smoking during organised underage sporting events](#)

## Smokefree Outdoor Dining

Since 1<sup>st</sup> August 2017, smoking is banned in all commercial outdoor dining areas in Victoria. To complement smoke-free outdoor dining, smoking is also banned in an outdoor drinking area if any part of that area is within 4 metres of an outdoor dining area, unless separated by a wall of at least 2.1 metres high.

[FactSheet: Smokefree Outdoor Dining: A guide for businesses and event organisers](#)

## Further Information

[www.quit.org.au/resources/sporting-groups/five-steps-go-smoke-free/](http://www.quit.org.au/resources/sporting-groups/five-steps-go-smoke-free/)

[www.quit.org.au/resources/sporting-groups/smoking-sports-clubs-and-benefits-becoming-smokefree-club/](http://www.quit.org.au/resources/sporting-groups/smoking-sports-clubs-and-benefits-becoming-smokefree-club/)

[www2.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/tobacco-reform/smoke-free-areas/childrens-recreational-areas-smoke-free/underage-sporting-events-smoke-free](http://www2.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/tobacco-reform/smoke-free-areas/childrens-recreational-areas-smoke-free/underage-sporting-events-smoke-free)

