
Northern Territory Rifle Association Inc.



Smoke Free Environment Policy

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1. Policy

Northern Territory Rifle Association Inc promotes a healthy lifestyle and smoke free sporting environment, and is required by Northern Territory legislation to ban smoking in all enclosed areas and most of the licensed outdoor areas.

2. Purpose of this Policy

This Smoke Free Environment Policy aims to achieve a smoke free workplace to protect all staff, clients and visitors from the effects of environmental tobacco smoke. This Policy is not an antismoking campaign, it simply informs where and when smoking may occur within this organisation and to comply with the relevant Northern Territory legislation.

3. Who this Policy Applies To

This policy applies to the entire Northern Territory Target Rifle community including competitors, spectators, team officials, staff and volunteers. The Policy also applies to all visitors, clients, goods and services providers such as couriers delivering items and contractors while on the premises undertaking works and services at all Northern Territory Target Rifle clubs.

4. Legislation

The NT Tobacco Control Act and Tobacco Control Regulations in force from January 2011 prohibits smoking in public places. This also applies to all sporting facilities where smoking will be banned in all indoor areas of these premises and restricted to designated outdoor areas. Smoking in a non-smoking area is an offence and penalties apply.

5. Organisational Responsibilities

Northern Territory Rifle Association Inc has a duty of care to the health and safety of all who may be affected by acts in the workplace.

Northern Territory Rifle Association Inc Board members and staff working and/or visiting, are responsible for enforcing the Policy and are required to make themselves aware of this Policy. Similarly, all hirers such as other organisations, school and sporting groups are required to enforce and be aware of this Policy and NT legislation.

Penalties of up to \$11,000 for a body corporate may apply if the offence is proven in court.

6. Individual Responsibilities

Northern Territory Rifle Association Inc employees also have a duty of care to act safely and maintain a safe environment. All individuals as visitors are bound by this policy and are required to make themselves aware of this Policy. Penalties of up to \$2,200 for an individual may apply if the offence is proven in court.

8. Forms of Discipline

If an individual or organisation, to which the Northern Territory Rifle Association Inc policy applies, breaches those policies, one or more forms of discipline may be imposed.

9. Review of the Policy

This Policy will be reviewed every two years.

Staff wishing to discuss any aspect of this Policy are invited to contact Northern Territory Rifle Association Inc Executive Officer.

10. Affiliated Clubs

Below is a general outline of the Minimum Standard expected from affiliated Rifle Clubs of the Northern Territory Rifle Association

- Smoking is prohibited inside all Club buildings.
- Smoking is strictly prohibited whilst in the Armoury or Ammunition magazine at all times.

- Smoking is prohibited on the firing mound for those who are shooting, scoring, check scoring and carrying out the normal duties of range staff.
- Smoking is prohibited in vehicles owned by the respective Clubs.
- Smokers are also to be aware of Non Smokers whilst carrying out marking duties in the Butts, and whilst under/in the confines of the range shade sails.

Smokers and Non Smokers alike have a responsibility to be aware of Fire Restrictions that may be in place at their respective ranges. In the event of a total fire ban, then fire fighting equipment (a minimum of flail type or fire extinguisher) should be on hand. The position of this equipment is to be identified and explained during the delivery of the range brief prior to the commencement or conduct of the day's activities, by either the Club Captain or Chief Range Officer.

Whilst our sport is conducted in an outdoor/open area venue, we need to be aware and maintain this Smoking Policy as it is circulated and updated in accordance with the relevant State and Territory WHS Regulations and Acts.

RELATED SOURCES

Legislation:

NT Tobacco Control Act and NT Tobacco Control Regulations

https://parliament.nt.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0008/560726/Tobacco-Control-Act.pdf

Resources and Fact Sheets

<https://nt.gov.au/wellbeing/health-conditions-treatments/alcohol-drugs-and-your-body/tobacco-and-your-health>

<https://health.nt.gov.au/professionals/alcohol-and-other-drugs-health-professionals/tobacco>

<https://nt.gov.au/wellbeing/healthy-living/smoking>

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