

MALTON SOCCER CLUB

SMOKE FREE POLICY

2010

Policy Purpose

The Malton Soccer Club Board of Directors is committed to providing a smoke-free environment for its players, coaches, family members, fans, visitors and the general public by;

- protecting all from tobacco smoke at Malton SC functions,
- supporting our membership in adopting healthy lifestyles, and
- providing leadership in tobacco reduction initiatives.

All Officers, members, family members, employees, visitors, volunteers and the general public have shared responsibility for supporting and complying with the Malton SC Smoke-Free Policy.

Policy Display

The smoke-free policy will be displayed, where possible by signs at areas used by the Malton Soccer Club

The smoke-free policy will be available from the Malton SC website. The website will contain images indicating the smoke-free policy and links to the relevant Ontario government departments supporting smoke free policies

Smoke Free Areas

All venues used for Malton SC sponsored competition, whether locally organized or on behalf of the Governing Soccer Organizations, will be designated smoke-free, even if the venue normally allows smoking.

All enclosed areas such as spectator seating or change rooms will also be covered by the smoke-free zone.

The entrance to any venue used for a Malton SC sponsored competition will be kept smoke free.

All social events organized by Malton SC shall prefer non-smoking venues over smoking venues.

Sponsorship

Malton SC will not use tobacco products in any fund raising activity.

Malton SC will not display any sponsorship from companies that rely on the sale of tobacco or tobacco products for their main income.

Members and Officials

All competitors and officials representing or participating on behalf of Malton SC are to refrain from smoking while performing Malton SC duties.

Spectators are not permitted to smoke in the fan designated areas or within the confines of the playing field.

All Malton SC affiliated coaches will ensure that all players are aware of the negative effects of smoking on their performance and health.

Associated and Affiliated Clubs

All clubs affiliated and associated with the Ontario Soccer Association will recognize the Malton SC smoke-free policy and extend the policy to their clubs venues.

Compliance

The Malton SC smoke-free policy is to be adhered to at all times. Exceptions will not be granted.

Non-compliance for affiliated individuals will result in the individual;

- Being asked by an official or coach to cease breaching the policy and being told of the Malton SC smoke-free policy.
- Being formally warned by an official and letter for continual breaches of the policy.
- Being formally notified by letter of expulsion from Malton SC membership (with no refund) if refusing to stop breaching the policy after a warning has been issued.

Non-compliance for non-affiliated individuals will result in the individual;

- Being asked by an official or coach to cease breaching the policy and being told of the Malton SC smoke-free policy.
- Being asked to leave the venue or grounds by an official if the breach is continued.
- Being escorted from the venue or grounds under the guidance of an official if the breach continues after the warning.

Non-compliance for affiliated and associated clubs will result in;

- A formal warning from Malton SC by letter for reported breaches of the smoke-free policy.

Policy Review

The policy will be reviewed at least once every twelve months.

The policy can be altered by the Executive at any time. The change and the reason for the change will need to be recorded in minutes, be beneficial and comply with the smoke free policies regulated by the Government of Ontario.