



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

POLICIES and OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES MANUAL

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S1. SMOKING POLICY.

S1.1 Policy.

S1.1.1 The Scout Association of Australia, Western Australian Branch (“the Association”) aims to promote a healthy lifestyle and the habit of smoking contravenes that aim. It recognises the effects on health, the bad example it sets to younger members and the poor image conveyed to the public especially when in uniform are paramount in the undesirability of smoking at Scouting activities.

Procedures.

S1.1.2 Consideration of others should be fundamental for all Scouts. All adults associated with Scouting must realise that they are seen as role models by the youth members and therefore should at all times be setting the best example possible.

S1.1.3 Joeys, Cubs and Scouts are not permitted to smoke at any Association activity.

S1.1.4 Venturers should be discouraged from smoking, however, they may smoke if they are legally able to do so, and if the Unit’s rules permit them to do so. Under no circumstances must Venturers smoke whilst in uniform.

S1.1.5 Leaders, Rovers and Adult helpers are not permitted to smoke when in the company of youth members and in the case of Leaders and Rovers, when in uniform on formal or public occasions.

S1.1.6 Recognising the legal implications associated with passive smoking all buildings situated on properties owned or controlled by the Association have been declared “Smoke Free” areas. Signage must be displayed prominently in all such buildings and all persons using such facilities must be made aware of this policy.

S1.1.7 In support of para S1.1.6 at all activities of the Association those who wish to smoke shall show consideration for those who wish to breathe smokeless air, particularly when the gathering is within a confined space or area with a re-circulating air supply system even when the facility is not owned or controlled by the Association.

Authority:

The document was endorsed by the Chief Commissioner’s Committee on 28 September 04 and by the Branch Management Committee on 19 October 04 for inclusion in the Policies and Operational Procedures Manual and accordingly is incorporated into the Branch Risk Register from this date.

Signed M. H. Thomas - Chief Commissioner.

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