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RATIONALE

CBC Fremantle is a smoke-free environment in recognition of the health hazards associated with exposure to Environmental Tobacco Smoke (ETS) and requirement to comply with legislation.

The Tobacco Products Control Act 2006 legislates against smoking in enclosed public places and the Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984 requires an employer, so far as practicable, to provide and maintain a working environment in which the employees are not exposed to hazards.

Passive (environmental) smoking can occur when people near a person smoking tobacco breathe in the smoke involuntarily. This can cause disease, including lung cancer and heart disease, and premature death. There is no safe level of exposure to environmental tobacco smoke.

It is particularly harmful for children, who are more likely to experience ear problems, severe asthma, and respiratory infections. (*NHMRC Centre of Research Excellence*)

SCOPE

This policy applies to all areas of the College campus, all College events and in all circumstances where staff are supervising College students. It also applies to all volunteers, visitors and guests attending in any capacity or participating in a College activity.

DEFINITIONS

Environmental Tobacco Smoke (ETS) is a combination of side stream smoke (smoke from the burning end of a tobacco product) and exhaled mainstream smoke (the smoke breathed out by the smoker).

PRINCIPLES

1. The legislative requirements of the Tobacco Products Control Act 2006 and the Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984 shall be adhered to at CBC Fremantle.
2. CBC Fremantle formalises its commitment to providing a safe environment for all school users by going beyond the legislated smoking bans, in order to further minimise the acknowledged health hazards associated with ETS.
3. All areas within CBC Fremantle campus shall be a smoke free environment.

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Related Documents

- CBC Fremantle - Staff Code of Conduct
- CEWA - Smoke Free Schools Policy
- Complispace - Smoking (Staff) - WHS
- Complispace - Asthma Management – SDC
- Occupational Safety and Health ACT (WA) Regulations 1996