
Smoke-Free Environment Policy

Coffs Harbour Education Campus is committed to ensuring the health, safety and welfare of its employees whilst at work and its students and visitors while on campus.

The objective of the Smoke-Free Environment Policy is to establish a healthy environment at the Coffs Harbour Education Campus by eliminating exposure to smoke or passive smoke on the Campus premises. Coffs Harbour Education Campus has an obligation to comply with the requirements of the *Smoke Free Environment Act 2000* and, from 7 January 2013, the *NSW Tobacco Legislation Amendment Act 2012*.

The main points covered by the new legislation bans smoking in the following areas:

- Within 10 metres of children's play equipment
- Spectator areas of sports grounds or other recreational areas while organised sporting events are being held
- Bus stops and taxi ranks
- Balcony/patio areas of Block I
- **Within 4 metres of a pedestrian access point to a public building** and, from 2015 in:
 - Commercial outdoor dining areas being:
 - A seated dining area, or
 - Within 4 metres of a seated dining area on premises that are licensed premises under the Liquor Act 2007 or the premises of a restaurant defined in that Act, or
 - Within 10 metres of a place at a food fair where food is sold or supplied for consumption at the event, with a food fair being an organised event at which the principal activities are the sale or supply of food for consumption at the event and the consumption of that food.

The full legislation can be viewed at:

<http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/maintop/view/inforce/act+56+2012+cd+0+N>

The NSW Ministry of Health information on smoking can be accessed at:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/publichealth/healthpromotion/tobacco/>

The main courtyard areas of the Campus are designated as smoke-free, and a ten metre general smoke free zone exists from the external foot print of the campus buildings.

These smoke-free zones include the grassed area bounded by the outside entrances to Block I (Osprey Restaurant and Kitchens), Block A and the south eastern end of Block O.

The Campus also upholds the *Smoke Free Environment Act 2000* in that if cigarette smoke inundates designated smoke free areas, people will be asked to extinguish their cigarettes or move further away to avoid smoke drift.

If you have any questions in relation to the Smoke-Free Zones on Campus, please contact your sector representative.

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