

# Policy

## Non Smoking

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### 1. Introduction

Scotch College is committed to ensuring that students, staff, parents and members of the wider Scotch community are protected from the potential health risks of active and passive smoking. As such, as stipulated in the amendment of 13 April 2015 to the Tobacco Act 1987(Vic),

**Smoking (which includes the use of electronic cigarettes, otherwise known as e-cigarettes or vaping) is banned within four meters of all entrances to the school, and within the school grounds. This policy also applies to Cowes, Healesville and Mallacoota sites. (Note: Hawthorn campus boundary map below). The prohibition on smoking includes the use of e-cigarettes (vaping) and applies whether or not the e-cigarette contains nicotine.**

### 2. Visitors

If a visitor to the School is seen smoking, staff members should:

- assume the visitor is unaware of the policy; and,
- politely ask the visitor to refrain from smoking (or move to a smoking area) and remind the visitor about the School's smoke free policy.
- smoking and vaping are also not permitted during school events and excursions held off school premises.

### 3. Communication

- suitable 'No Smoking' signs will be placed at all entrances to the school premises
- this message should appear on all event invitations
- organiser's of events should also remind patrons about the policy at the commencement of a function or event
- parents will be informed of this policy via the website and newsletters.

### 4. Consequences for Non Compliance

- An infringement penalty could apply to adults not complying with this policy.
- NOTE: The sanctions as outlined in the School's Alcohol, Tobacco and Drugs Use Policy will be invoked in the case of a student not complying with this policy.

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