

## Tobacco-Free/Nicotine- Free Policy guidelines for use with Outdoor Places and Events

### Policy:

Tobacco and nicotine use, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco, snuff, pipes, snus, Electronic Smoking Devices (ESD) and nicotine products that are not Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved for tobacco cessation is prohibited at all times on event grounds. This tobacco/nicotine/ESD policy applies to all employees, independent contractors, board members, participants in events, and the general public while on event grounds.

### Enforcement:

- a) Appropriate signs shall be posted in the above specified areas.
- b) The community, especially event attendees and staff, will be notified about this policy.
- c) It is the responsibility of the board members or there designee to provide enforcement.
- d) Any person found violating this policy will be asked to refrain from tobacco and nicotine use or risk immediate ejection from the grounds.
- e) If the violator refuses to leave, the staff may contact local authorities.

### Effective Date:

This policy statement is effective immediately upon the date of adoption.

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Appropriate Official

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Date

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To ensure the outdoor place or event has a strong tobacco-free/nicotine-free policy, and to qualify for free outdoor signage, the policy must explicitly include all of the following:

- ✓ Policy must include 100% tobacco-free/nicotine-free grounds, at all times
- ✓ Policy must extend to all types of tobacco, nicotine and ESD products (i.e. not only cigarettes; include all tobacco, ESDs and nicotine products not approved by the FDA for cessation.)
- ✓ There should not be any designated smoking / tobacco use areas
- ✓ Policy must include persons responsible for enforcement