



2024 Australian Paralympic Team Policies

Smoking & Alcohol

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a) Policy purpose

To achieve the best possible performances of athletes, part of which requires a sensible approach to smoking and alcohol use.

b) Policy statement & implementation procedures

Team Members shall at all times be subject to the laws relating to the purchase and consumption of tobacco, e-cigarettes and alcohol of the country in which they are competing or training.

Team Members may not purchase tobacco, e-cigarettes or alcohol products for other Team Members who are under 18 (or the age appropriate to the host country). Team Members under the age of 18 are not permitted to consume alcohol at any time while a member of the Australian Team.

For those Team Members over 18, alcohol consumption is a personal choice and should be consumed responsibly. Team Members will not coerce or convince other team mates to drink. Team Members over the age of 18 are not permitted to consume alcohol excessively during their membership on the Team.

Team Members who consume alcohol to an extent that it negatively affects their performance, impacts adversely on teammates or is not consistent with the standards of behaviour and presentation expected of Australian Team Members or in any way breach this policy shall be subjected to the Team disciplinary process.

The Chef de Mission has the discretion, due to operational or security reasons, to ban alcohol consumption for Team Members at any time.

The Australian Paralympic Team recognises that smoking is unhealthy and does not reflect well on a high-performance sporting team. Adult Team Members who choose to smoke will be required to use an approved smoking area within the Games' Villages, Out of Village Accommodation or at sport venues and refrain from doing so while wearing the Team Uniform.

c) Applicability

This policy applies to all Team Members.

d) Policy officer/contact

This policy is managed by the Chef de Mission.

e) Authority

This policy is authorised by the PA Board for immediate implementation.

f) Related policies

Codes of Conduct

Disciplinary Hearings and Appeals

g) References

N/A