



Policy Type: Event Operations

Policy Title: Smoke Free Policy

Adopted by Board: July 15, 2019

Paris Agricultural Society is committed to providing facilities and events that are healthy and safe. As such, a Smoke Free Policy has been adopted for all events planned and carried out by PAS Members and Volunteers.

A smoke free event means that all participants will refrain from smoking cigarettes and other tobacco products, cannabis and e-cigarettes.

Benefits of a smoke free event include:

- Protecting Visitors and Community members from the dangers of second-hand smoke
- Increasing the accessibility of the event by making it safe for children, seniors and those with health risks to attend.
- Providing a role model for youth, demonstrating that smoking is not the norm and to assist them in avoiding peer pressure while on PAS grounds.
- Reduced chances of disruption due to intoxication by Cannabis
- Reduced chance of Fire caused by cigarettes left unattended or improperly extinguished.
- Reduction in harm to animals caused by litter from tobacco product butts.
- Sending a clear message to the Community that the PAS is in favour of living a healthy lifestyle.

The Smoke Free Policy will be reviewed on an as needed basis by Board of Directors.

A Smoke Free Policy Procedure and Standard Operating Procedure for enforcement of the Policy will be adopted and made available to all members and visitors.