

Swindon School of Gymnastics - Smoking & Vaping Policy

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Applies to: Staff, coaches, volunteers, gymnasts, parents/guardians, visitors, contractors

1. Purpose

Swindon School of Gymnastics is committed to providing a safe, healthy, and smoke-free environment. This policy outlines where smoking and vaping are strictly prohibited and ensures compliance with UK smoke-free legislation.

2. Scope

This policy applies to all forms of smoking, including cigarettes, cigars, pipes, e-cigarettes, vapes, disposable vapes, and heated tobacco products.

3. General Rule

Smoking and vaping are not permitted anywhere inside the building or within any enclosed or partially enclosed structure.

Smoking is only permitted in the designated outdoor smoking area: [Next to train track fence].

4. Areas Where Smoking and Vaping Are Not Permitted

4.1 Inside the Premises:

- All gym halls and training areas
- Viewing galleries and parent seating areas
- Reception
- Offices

- Kitchens, staff rooms, and break areas
- Toilets, changing rooms, and corridors
- Storage rooms, equipment rooms, and first aid rooms
- Any enclosed or partially enclosed structure

4.2 Immediate Outdoor Areas:

Smoking/vaping is prohibited in:

- Within 5 metres of any entrance or exit
- Pathways used by gymnasts
- Drop-off and pick-up zones
- Car park walkways
- Outdoor waiting areas
- Any area where smoke may drift into doors/windows/vents

4.3 Vehicles:

Smoking and vaping are not permitted in:

- Club-owned vehicles
- Personal vehicles transporting gymnasts
- Any vehicle used on behalf of Swindon School of Gymnastics

5. Designated Smoking Area

The designated smoking area must be outdoors, away from doors, windows, and high-traffic areas, and include appropriate disposal bins.

6. Responsibilities

All individuals must follow this policy and dispose of smoking waste responsibly.

Staff and coaches must remind individuals of the policy and report repeat issues.

7. Enforcement

Non-compliance may result in being asked to stop, move to the designated area, leave the premises, or further action for repeated violations.

8. Support to Quit Smoking

Swindon School of Gymnastics can direct individuals to NHS Smokefree services and local stop-smoking support.

9. Review

This policy will be reviewed annually or sooner if legislation changes.