

CITY OF BARNWELL RECREATION DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT

City of Barnwell “Tobacco-Free Parks” Policy

POLICY STATEMENT

The City of Barnwell is committed to the quality of life for all residents, therefore, we believe that:

1. Tobacco product use in the proximity of children, youth and adults engaging in or watching recreational activities is unhealthy and detrimental to the health of others.
2. Tobacco products once consumed in public spaces are often discarded on the ground, thus posing a risk of ingestion to toddlers and causing a litter problem.
3. As parents, leaders, coaches, and officials we are thought of as role models, and the use of tobacco products around youth has a negative effect on their lifestyle choices.

TOBACCO-FREE FACILITIES

No person shall use tobacco products on city-owned park facilities, recreation facilities, open spaces, trails or outside the immediate entrances (including parking lots and spaces) to these facilities.

COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES

The emphasis on enforcing the Tobacco-Free park policy is through voluntary compliance:

1. Signs will be posted on appropriate city-owned park facilities, recreation facilities, open spaces and trails.
2. City staff will make periodic observations of activity sites to monitor compliance.
3. The community, especially facility users, will be notified of this policy through various communication channels.

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