



GAMBLING HARM POLICY

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NOT THE ODDS**



Introduction

As a member of the Love the Game Sporting Club Program, we understand the leadership role our Association plays in encouraging balanced lifestyles and strengthening communities.

We accept shared responsibility for raising awareness of the risks associated with gambling and will actively work to disrupt the normalisation of gambling in sport through our two-year commitment to this Policy.

Gambling Harm Policy – Love the Game Not the Odds

Disrupting Gambling in Sport

We will not partner or receive sponsorship (revenue or in-kind) from gambling providers(1) including gambling venues(2).

We will not display gambling promotional material in or around the Association's leased facilities.

We agree that sporting environments should be free from gambling promotion (excluding raffles and trade promotion lotteries) and we will engage key decision makers, such as national and state sporting bodies and local government, in discussions that work towards this goal.

We will develop and implement a club-specific gambling policy that seeks to address gambling harm and reduce club revenue from gambling.

A healthy and safe sport environment

We will support and participate in awareness-raising activities including displaying program messages in and around our venue and participating in the Love the Game themed activities, including encouraging our Clubs to join the LTG program.

We will support our community by providing information about the risks of gambling and deter anyone under 18 years of age from participating in any form of gambling.

If any player or administrator is concerned about their own or someone else's gambling, we will make every effort to refer them to gambling support services.

Safer fundraising, functions and awards

Where young people under 18 years of age are present, our fundraising activities will not include any forms of gambling (excluding raffles).

We will not provide gambling incentives as player awards or prizes.

Our club functions will be held in venues that align with our club gambling policy(3)

NOTES

- (1) Examples of gambling providers includes betting operators (traditional and online), racing industry organisations, casinos, lotto, Keno, etc.
- (2) Associations sponsored by venues that operate pokies are exempt from this clause – Frankston RSL. We will encourage the venue to operate under the Venue Best Practice Guide.
- (3) Board of Management endorse sponsorship from Frankston RSL as an organization who also provide positive community support and we acknowledge the complexity of this relationship.