

WPHU No Smoking or Vaping Signage Audit Survey Explanatory Information

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Table 1. Descriptors for each location category for the No Smoking or Vaping Signage Audit Survey, based on the *Tobacco Act 1987*.¹

Location	Definition
Education, childcare service, or school	This location category includes any part of a school, early childhood service, or childcare service, including outdoor areas in the vicinity of these premises (e.g. footpath, car park, or outdoor play area). This includes primary or secondary schools, kindergartens, preschools, and early learning centres, long day care centres, outside school hours care services, specialist or development schools.
Community Health	This includes a state-funded community health centre that delivers primary healthcare and may offer a range of services, including, but not limited to, allied health services, dental health services, health promotion and refugee health. They work alongside general practice, privately funded services, and other health, wellbeing, and community care services in Victoria.
Other hospital and healthcare	This includes a denominational hospital, multi-purpose service, privately-operated hospital, or public hospital. This does not include private general practice (GP) clinics.
Other Victorian Public Premise (e.g. Magistrates' Court, libraries)	This location category includes buildings occupied by an ongoing basis by Courts: Supreme, County, Magistrates', Children's, and Coroners Court; Parliament buildings (excluding electorate offices); Public service bodies (e.g., government departments and agencies, such as libraries); and Special bodies (such as police stations). This does not include private businesses and electorate offices.
Indoor children's play centre	Children's indoor play centres may include indoor trampoline parks, soft play centres, indoor adventure playgrounds, or inflatable play zones. These venues must not be part of a school or education/care service. Their primary purpose is paid access to play equipment, not food service or other activities (though snack bars and party rooms may be present).
Indoor restaurant or café	Enclosed restaurant or café, that is predominately used by the public for consumption of food or non-alcoholic drinks purchased on the premises. This may include a restaurant within another venue, such as inside a shopping centre, but not a food court.
Retail shopping centre	Retail shopping centre is a group of 5 or more retail premises operating under a shared management or ownership, such as an enclosed mall or open-air plaza (e.g. Highpoint Shopping Centre). If you are assessing a single facility or shop, for example, a restaurant or café, inside the centre, you would instead choose restaurant or café.
Bingo area, casino, or other gaming venue	This location category includes any indoor venue where the main activity is gambling, such as: bingo centres or rooms and casinos, gaming rooms, or racecourse betting facilities.
Indoor workplace (not previously listed)	Any enclosed area where one or more people work (paid or unpaid), that has not been previously described and is not a Victorian Public Premise (please see <i>Victorian Public Premise</i> for definition).
Outdoor dining area	Outdoor dining area is an outdoor area in a public place where the consumption of food is provided on a commercial basis. It also includes outdoor areas in a public place where a food fair is being held, or where an organised event is being held, that is within 10 metres of where food is being served commercially.

¹ [Tobacco Act 1987 \(legislation.vic.gov.au\)](https://legislation.vic.gov.au/legislation/instruments/details?instrument=C1987_001)

Outdoor drinking area	An outdoor area that is predominately used for the consumption of drinks, including balcony or veranda, a courtyard, a rooftop, a marquee, a street or footpath, any similar outdoor area.
Outdoor recreation or sporting venue (e.g. oval)	Any area used for organised underage sporting events, including playing fields, courts, tracks, rinks, arenas, warm-up or marshalling areas, podiums, and seating (public or official). Applies to both permanent and temporary setups at venues like sports grounds/ovals, recreation centres, and stadiums.
Outdoor swimming pool complex	Swimming pool complex refers to the outdoor area of a swimming pool complex, that is not enclosed (an area within the external perimeter of the complex that is not enclosed). If you are assessing an indoor swimming pool or area within an indoor swimming pool complex, please choose the next best option (most likely enclosed workplace).
Outdoor skatepark	Skate Park is an outdoor area designed for rollerblading, skateboarding, BMX, or non-motorised scooters. Only select this option for outdoor skate parks not located within any previously listed locations. Includes publicly accessible skate parks, permanent or temporary, within 10 metres.
Patrolled beach	Patrolled beach is an area on public land or in the sea marked by red and yellow flags placed by Surf Life Saving Victoria or its affiliated clubs to indicate safe swimming zones. It includes the flagged area and any space within 50 metres of a red and yellow flag.
Outdoor children's playground	Children's outdoor playground refers to a designated outdoor area that contains play equipment designed for use by children. Please do not choose this option if the playground is within another location described above (ie a school or childcare service, hospital, enclosed restaurant etc)
Licensed premise	A licensed venue refers to premises where a general licence, on-premises licence, or club licence under the Liquor Control Reform Act 1998 is in effect. It excludes restaurants, cafes, and bingo centres. It includes pubs, bars, and clubs where alcohol is served and consumed indoors .
Other	Please choose this option for any other location not previously described. Please briefly describe the type of location in the free text field when you choose this option.

Troubleshooting

Please contact WPHU if you have any questions about the survey, or need your organisation added to the survey at wphu@wh.org.au or 1800 497 111.

