Borough of West Mifflin Policy

The Borough of West Mifflin Parks and Recreation Tobacco-Free Policy, Young Lungs at Play, is designed to protect the health, welfare, and safety of our park patrons.

Policy Statement
The Borough of West Mifflin is committed to providing a high quality of living for all residents. Therefore, we believe that:

1. Tobacco product use in 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
The Borough of West Mifflin does not allow the use of tobacco products on Borough owned park land, park facilities or open space.

Compliance Procedures
The emphasis on enforcing the Tobacco-Free Par policy is through voluntary compliance:

1. Appropriate town owned park land, park facilities, and open space properties will post Young Lungs at Play signage.
2. Borough staff will meet with activity organizations and/or leaders or coaches to discuss the policy and to distribute flyers with the “Tobacco-Free” regulations.
3. Borough staff will make periodic observations of activity sites to monitor compliance and help to promote awareness of the tobacco-free policy.

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Council President

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