



Cleveland Air Magic Policy

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The purpose of this policy is to outline the requirements and responsibilities of Cleveland Air Magic (CAM) to actively promote the importance of sun safety. The policy aims to provide members and supporters of CAM with guidelines to improve the Skipping environment in terms of sun safety awareness and practices.

Queensland has the highest rate of skin cancer in the world. Two out of every three Queenslanders will develop some sort of skin cancer in their lifetime. Research suggests that at least two-thirds of all melanomas occurring in Australia could be prevented if children were protected from the sun during their first 15 years. Most skin damage and skin cancer are therefore preventable. With this in mind, Cleveland Air Magic realises the need to protect children's skin and educate them about SunSmart behaviour, thus reducing the risk of skin damage from exposure to the sun.

The policy aims to:

- Provide ongoing education that promotes personal responsibility for skin cancer prevention and early detection.
- Provide environments that support SunSmart practices.
- Create an awareness that outdoor activities need to support SunSmart practices.
- Ensure that all children, coaches, committee members and volunteers associated with our club are protected from the harmful effects of the sun when skipping or participating in club events throughout the year.

Our commitment at Cleveland Air Magic will be to:

- Inform parents of the CAM SunSmart policy when they enrol their child, and the policy will be displayed on our club's website along with all of the club's important policies.
- Educate our coaches on the club's SunSmart policy and review and regularly update the policy.
- Encourage all coaches, committee, and volunteers to act as positive role models for children in all aspects of SunSmart behaviour.
- Seek ongoing support from parents and the skipping community for the SunSmart policy and its implementation.
- Ensure that all skippers, coaches, committee and volunteers wear hats that protect the face, neck and ears, and SPF 15 or higher, broad-spectrum, water-resistant sunscreen, when involved in outdoor activities
- Ensure that adequate shade is provided at the training facility, competitions, performances, and other outdoor events.

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- Encourage all skippers and families to purchase the CAM uniform hat to wear at official events.
- Provide SPF50+ sunscreen at any outdoor event.
- Ensure coaches (or supervising adult) will remind skippers to reapply sunscreen as needed and encourage skippers to protect in the shade where possible.

Non-Compliance

Failure to adhere to the Sun Safe policy may result in warnings, meetings with club officials, or other appropriate actions.

The club reserves the right to take further measures if non-compliance continues.

Feedback and Concerns

Based on feedback and reviews, the committee will implement improvements to enhance the effectiveness of sun safe activities. Cleveland Air Magic values feedback from parents and guardians. Any concerns or suggestions regarding the Sun Safe policy should be directed to president@clevelandairmagic.org.

Review and Amendments

This Sun Safe Policy will be reviewed annually by the club's Committee to ensure it remains effective. Any amendments to the policy will be communicated to members in writing and will take effect from the date specified.

Acknowledgment

By becoming a member or participating in activities with Cleveland Air Magic, individuals acknowledge and agree to adhere to this Sun Safe Policy.

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