

Policy Notification FY2425-14 – Health and Safety Management Policy

At its meeting on 5 May 2025 the AFA committee, acting on the recommendation of the health and safety sub-committee, resolved to revoke the Health and Safety Management Policy and replace it with a Health and Safety Statement. The Statement is set out below and is effective immediately.

Background

The AFA Committee created the health and safety sub-committee to review the health and safety management policy in place at that time as to whether it was fit-for-purpose for the AFA, and whether the AFA could meet the requirements of that policy.

The sub-committee considered that it would be more appropriate for the AFA to have a statement of intent related to health and safety. The statement (below) states clubs, members, volunteers, participants, and spectators involved in flyball activities across Australia are responsible for health and safety of all, and the expectations of the AFA.

The Statement

The Australian Flyball Association (**AFA**) is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for all **members**, **volunteers**, participants, and spectators involved in flyball activities across Australia.

We acknowledge that each state and territory in Australia has its own Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) legislation, including Acts, regulations, and codes of practice. The **AFA** recognises and respects these laws and is committed to complying with the relevant OHS requirements in all jurisdictions in which we operate.

The **AFA** expects all **members**, **clubs**, and **flyball event** organisers to:

- Act in a manner that prioritises the health, safety, and wellbeing of themselves and others.
- Identify and, where possible, mitigate risks associated with flyball activities.
- Promptly report any hazards, incidents, or unsafe behaviours.
- Cooperate with any reasonable instructions, policies, or procedures relating to health and safety.
- Adhere to all **AFA rules**, **policies**, **guidelines**, and safety practices in place to support a safe and inclusive environment.

Safety is a shared responsibility. By working together and following the relevant OHS laws and safe practices, we can ensure flyball remains a safe, inclusive, and enjoyable sport for all.

[Master Health and Safety Statement -5 May 2025.pdf](#)