

Section 2: Policies

6: Operational Policies

2.6.1. Scent Sensitive Space

Adopted: July 2, 2019, as the Fragrance Free Policy
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Background:

Due to health concerns related to scented products, McMartin House has implemented this policy to keep its space scent sensitive. This policy guides McMartin House's behaviour should concerns arise regarding scents in the building.

Policy:

As part of Perth Seniors Fellowship commitment to providing a safe and inclusive environment for employees, volunteers, board members and users, the Board recognizes that health concerns may arise from exposure to scented products. Perth Seniors Fellowship is committed to promoting awareness of this issue and working with staff and others to resolve issues where they may occur.

As a public building, McMartin House cannot commit to enforcing a scent-free space but will attempt to minimize disruptions and discomfort that may be caused by use of scented products. Use of scents in the building is discouraged but is not grounds for banning from the premises.

Perth Seniors Fellowship will:

- Post a notice to inform users that the building is a scent sensitive space, requesting limited use of scented products.
- Develop procedures for responding to concerns or complaints about use of scent in the building.

- Work with the concerned party and the perceived offender to come to a mutually acceptable solution.
- Train staff, board members and volunteers about scent sensitivities and encourage the same to refrain from using scented products while on the premises.