



Pine Rivers A. H. & I Association

Balloon Policy

From the 1st March, 2018, The Pine Rivers AH & I Association are implementing a condition of usage, on balloons used on the Showgrounds. In order to ensure the society, it's land users and visitors abide by the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011*.

This is due to any releasing of balloons being considered littering under this act.

The Show Society do not believe a total ban on balloons or helium usage are required, thus introducing the following restrictions:

Helium Balloons:

- must only be used inside buildings,
- must be secured,
- must not be used near any fans,
- must only be used for static decoration displays,
- cannot be used for distribution to others, and
- must be disposed of responsibly.

Non-Helium Balloons:

- can be used inside and outside buildings,
- must be secured to a string or stick,
- may be distributed to others, in a secured state, and
- must be disposed of responsibly.

Disposal

Users of balloons must ensure proper disposal of used balloons and equipment within the Showgrounds. With any balloons either securely taken off site, or deflated and placed in one of our rubbish bins.

Helium tanks must be taken back off site with the user, and cannot be disposed of on the Showgrounds.

While the Show Society have cleaning procedures, which would collect physical litter remaining on Society property, (including balloon remnants); With this new policy, the Society are also addressing littering into airspace above the grounds, (which is still considered part of the society land according to the act), and the potential of balloons ending up in local waterways.

We appreciate your cooperation in abiding by this policy, when using or visiting our grounds.