



Policy statement

FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION, CENSORSHIP AND EDITORIAL CONTROL

We will attempt to avoid censorship where possible. However, in our programming decisions we will consider our community interest, context, degree of explicitness, the possibility of alarming the listener, the potential for distress or shock, prevailing Indigenous laws or community standards and the social importance of the broadcast.

We will not broadcast material that is likely to stereotype, incite, vilify, or perpetuate hatred against, or attempt to demean any person or group, on the basis of ethnicity, nationality, race, language, gender, sexuality, religion, age, physical or mental ability, occupation, cultural belief or political affiliation. The requirement is not intended to prevent the broadcast of material which is factual, or the expression of genuinely held opinion in a news or current affairs program or in the legitimate context of a humorous, satirical or dramatic work.

We will have programming practices that protect children from harmful material but will avoid concealing the real world from them. This is done by putting into place time parameters (6am -7pm Seven Days) where coarse language is inappropriate

We will follow applicable privacy laws by:

- a. respecting people's legitimate right to protection from unjustified use of material which is obtained without consent or through an invasion of privacy,
- b. only broadcasting the words of an identifiable person where:
 - i. that person has been told in advance that the words may be broadcast, or
 - ii. it was clearly indicated at the time the recording was made that the material would be broadcast, or
 - iii. In the case of words that have been recorded without the knowledge of a person, that person has indicated his/her agreement prior to broadcast.