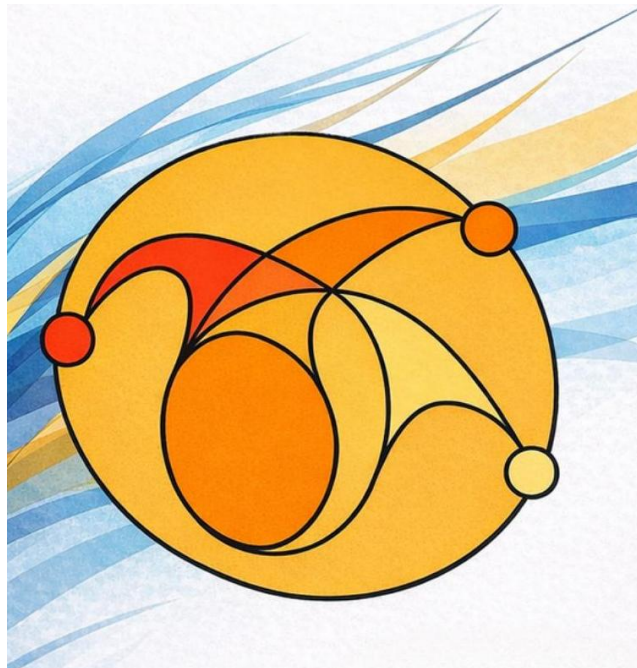


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PROHIBITION OF STROBE LIGHTS





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# Prohibition of Strobe Lights Policy

THE ASSOCIATION FOR PCW PRACTITIONERS

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## Purpose and Scope

This policy outlines the prohibition of strobe lights in PCW sessions to ensure client safety, ethical practice, and compliance with the Association's standards. It establishes a strict ban on using strobe lights during PCW practice, citing health risks such as photosensitive epilepsy and neurological responses, and emphasising that such lights are unnecessary for effective changework.

## Definition and Rationale

For the purposes of this policy, strobe lights are defined as flashing, flickering, or high-intensity light sources — including LEDs and screens — capable of triggering adverse reactions in susceptible individuals.

While strobe lights may be used in clinical neurological assessments under controlled conditions, they are incompatible with PCW practice. Their use in a PCW session context serves no therapeutic purpose and carries an unacceptable risk of harm to clients.

## Prohibition

The use of strobe lights in any PCW session — whether delivered in person, remotely, or in a group setting — is strictly prohibited. This includes:



- ☐ Deliberate use of flashing or flickering light sources.
- ☐ Use of screens or digital effects that produce strobe-like effects.
- ☐ Any LED or similar device used in a manner that produces intermittent high-intensity light.

## Enforcement and Consequences

Violations of this policy will result in disciplinary action. Depending on the severity and circumstances, consequences may include:

- ☐ Immediate suspension of membership pending investigation.
- ☐ Revocation of PCW certification.
- ☐ Permanent prohibition from reapplication to the Association.

Members may appeal decisions within 15 days of notification. Appeals will be conducted fairly and confidentially, including evidence collection and interviews with relevant parties.

## Incident Reporting

Any incident involving the use of strobe lights during a PCW session must be reported to the Association promptly using the designated incident reporting template. Practitioners must follow the reporting procedures outlined in the Association's Incident Reporting Policy.

## Member Support

The Association will provide guidance, updates, and training to ensure practitioners understand this policy and can promote safe, ethical practice in compliance with the Association's standards.



## Policy Review and Contact

This policy will be reviewed annually or as needed, with updates communicated to all members. Questions or concerns regarding this policy may be directed to the Association at [associationforpcw@gmail.com](mailto:associationforpcw@gmail.com).

Continued membership of the Association constitutes acknowledgement of and agreement to comply with this policy. Non-compliance risks suspension or revocation of membership and PCW certification.

**Issued by the PCW Association Board**