

Policy Title:	University Policy on Smoking, Inhalant Delivery Systems and Tobacco
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Governing Body:	Southern Oregon University	Policy Number:	FAD.069 (573-055)
Policy Contact:	Vice President for Finance & Administration	Date Revised:	September 2019
Custodial Office:	Finance & Administration	Date Approved:	September 27, 2019
Approved By:	President	Next Review:	September 2022
Related Policy:			

Revision History

Revision Number:	Change:	Date:
-	Initial version	February 2002
1	Revision	August 2016
2	Revision	January 2018
3	Revision	September 2019

A. Purpose

Division 55, 573-055-0010 Purpose

It is the policy of Southern Oregon University that use and possession of tobacco and inhalant delivery systems conform to Oregon law and to ensure that students, employees and visitors are entitled to and will be provided smoke and inhalant free areas in which to study, work, teach, conduct research, transact business and otherwise participate in university activities.

B. Policy Statement

A. Division 55, 573-055-0020 Prohibitions Related to Smoking and Tobacco

1. Smoking of any kind or using any inhalant delivery system or lighted smoking device is prohibited within enclosed university facilities, including but not limited to offices, reception areas, laboratories, lavatories, classrooms, stairwells, hallways, lobbies, meeting rooms, gymnasiums, elevators and storage rooms.

2. Smoking shall not occur:

- (a) Within twenty-five (25) feet of any entrance or air intake for any enclosed area where smoking is prohibited; or
- (b) In any other area where a smoking prohibition is posted.

3. A person may not smoke, use open flame, or carry a lighted smoking instrument on or around SOU property known as Roca Canyon (42.184313,-122.639458) or areas containing vegetation that could lead to fires (dry grass or weeds).

4. As required by Oregon Revised Statute 339.883, the university prohibits any person under 21 years of age to possess tobacco products or inhalant delivery systems while the person is present on university grounds or in one of its facilities or while attending university-sponsored events.

B. Division 55, 573-055-0030 Vehicles

Smoking in university-owned or state-owned vehicles is prohibited.

C. Division 55, 573-055-0040 Responsibility for Communication of the Policy

1. This policy shall be posted on the portion of the university website devoted to listing university policies.

2. Building managers are responsible for communicating these policies within their buildings and reporting violations to the appropriate office. When a building manager has not been designated for a university structure, the department head responsible for the structure will communicate smoking policies.

3. Supervisors are responsible for reporting violations of this policy by university employees to Human Resources.

4. Violations of this policy by students in Student Housing locations should be reported to University Housing at (541) 552-6371. Violations of this policy by students occurring on other parts of campus should be reported to the Office of the Dean of Students at (541) 552-6223.

5. Campus visitors who refuse to comply with this policy should be reported to the Campus Public Safety Office at (541) 552-6258.

D. Division 55, 573-055-0050 Sanctions

1. The university reserves the right to impose reasonable restrictions or sanctions on university employees and students who violate this policy, including but not limited to warning, reprimand, confiscation of forbidden materials, education, or disciplinary actions consistent with applicable provisions of state law, regulations and university policies.

2. In addition, where possession of tobacco or inhalant delivery systems on campus is prohibited for persons under the age of 21 as required by law, the university also reserves the right to confiscate and dispose of the prohibited items as a condition of any member of the general public, student or employee remaining on university grounds or at a university-sponsored event.

This policy may be revised at any time without notice. All revisions supersede prior policy and are effective immediately upon approval.

C. Policy Consultation

Revisions to the text of the policy were presented to Cabinet and Policy Council. This policy was posted for campus comment on September 20, 2019.

The Policy Contact, defined above, will write and maintain the procedures related to this policy and these procedures will be made available within the Custodial Office.