



1.5.006 Smoking

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I. PURPOSE and SCOPE

MSOE strives to provide a safe and healthy campus environment for all employees, students and visitors. Medical evidence clearly shows that smoking is harmful to the health of smokers. Research also indicates that secondhand smoke may be a health risk for nonsmokers. This policy provides limitations on smoking on MSOE's campus.

II. RELATED POLICIES

Alcoholic Beverages, Drugs and Controlled Substances, Staff Handbook

III. DEFINITIONS

Smoking: Smoking includes the act of lighting, smoking or carrying a lighted or smoldering cigar, cigarette or pipe of any kind.

Vaping: Vaping refers to the use of electronic nicotine delivery systems or electronic smoking devices such as e-cigarettes, e-pipes, e-hookahs, and e-cigars.

IV. POLICY STATEMENT

MSOE prohibits smoking and vaping in all buildings, parking facilities, and university vehicles.

In lieu of prohibiting smoking entirely on campus, MSOE has instead established designated smoking areas. All smoking and vaping must be confined to only designated smoking areas. Smoking anywhere else on campus is strictly prohibited.

V. PROCEDURE

None

VI. EXCEPTIONS

For a list of designated smoking areas, please contact the Public Safety Department.

VII. APPENDICES

None

VIII. ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION/REGULATIONS/ACCREDITATION STANDARD

None

This section to be completed by the Records Manager:

Due date for review

Biennially 2027

Public Location

MSOE Policy Library, Staff Handbook

Version History

- **2025, February 21:** Added vaping to the policy, adjusted definition of smoking.
- **2014, September 1:** Smoking prohibited by building entranceways and designated smoking areas established. Information about residence hall smoking removed.
- **2004, February 2:** Initial approval (refers mostly to residence halls)

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