

UC Davis Policy and Procedure Manual

Chapter 290, Health and Safety Services

Section 10, Smoke and Tobacco Free Campus

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Responsible Department: Environmental Health and Safety

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I. Purpose

This section outlines the policy and responsibilities for the no smoking and tobacco policy at University properties and its owned, leased, or operated buildings.

II. Definitions

A. University property

1. All University property as part of the UC Davis Campus, including campus buildings, private residential facilities, structures and facilities, parking structures and surface lots, and grounds areas.
2. All off-campus University owned or University leased property or facilities operated by UC Davis staff or faculty in support of UC Davis administrative, teaching, research, medical care or other public service functions or private residential facilities for UC Davis students, faculty, and staff.

B. Smoking--inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying a lighted or heated product such as tobacco, marijuana, other smokeable substances, or smoking instruments that emit smoke.

C. Tobacco use--use of all forms of tobacco, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, shisha, pipes, water pipes (hookah), electronic cigarettes, and all forms of smokeless tobacco including but not limited to chew, snus, snuff, sticks, strips, and orbs.

III. Policy

A. Smoking and tobacco use are prohibited on University owned or leased property and in University vehicles.

B. The sale, advertisement, distribution, and sampling of all tobacco products and tobacco-related merchandise are prohibited at University properties and its owned, leased, or operated buildings.

C. Institutional Review Board approved research on tobacco or tobacco related products is not covered by this policy.

D. Smoking and/or tobacco use may be permitted for traditional ceremonial activities of recognized cultural and/or religious groups.

E. Education

1. Educational information and smoking cessation services, programs, and resources held by health care providers, nonprofit organizations, or other groups are available to employees.
2. Educational information and smoking cessation services, programs, and resources are available to students through Student Health and Counseling Services.
3. Information regarding this policy must be included in the new/transfer student and employee orientation programs, and made available to campus visitors.

IV. Roles and Responsibilities

- A. Vice chancellors, deans, and department heads shall:
1. Assure that this policy is communicated to everyone within their areas of responsibility including faculty, staff, students and visitors.
 2. Assess the need for and assure that rooms, facilities, or other areas under their jurisdiction are adequately posted as "no smoking" areas as needed.

Note: Appropriate signs will be placed in nonsmoking areas in accordance with this policy. Department heads should contact Facilities Management to have permanent smoke and tobacco free signs posted.
 3. Monitor and resolve complaints and problems arising in their areas of jurisdiction.
- B. It is the responsibility of all members of the University community to observe and comply with the policy. In accordance with the University's systemwide Smoke and Tobacco Free Environment directive, compliance with this policy is grounded in informing and educating members of the University community and visitors about this policy and encouraging those who use tobacco products to seek treatment for tobacco dependence. In order to maintain a smoke and tobacco-free environment, notifying others about this policy will be an ongoing effort to enhance awareness of and foster compliance with this policy.
- C. Visitors refusing to comply with this policy may be asked to leave campus.

V. Further Information

- A. Questions concerning smoking on University property may be directed to EH&S, (530) 752-1493.
- B. Policy regarding private residential space is available from the Student Housing Office, (530) 752-2033.
- C. Additional information on cessation programs and resources for visitors is available at <http://breathefree.ucdavis.edu>.

VI. References

Office of the President Directive to Establish a Smoke-Free Campus
(<http://policy.ucop.edu/doc/4000371/SmokingLocal>).