



REGULATIONS

REG No.: 375

SMOKING AND USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS ON CAMPUS

I. PURPOSE

Enunciates Wharton County Junior College's policy prohibiting smoking and the use of tobacco products on the college campuses.

II. DEFINITIONS

"Tobacco Products" means all forms of tobacco and nicotine-delivery devices, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes, and electronic and smokeless products, including liquid nicotine and chewing tobacco.

"E-cigarettes" means electronic devices which have a heating element that vaporizes a liquid solution to be inhaled.

III. POLICY

- A. Tobacco product use is not permitted in any WCJC building including students' and supervisors' rooms in residence halls. Tobacco product use on campus is only permitted on a college parking lot or designated areas.
- B. Violators of this policy are subject to a summary citation and fine under the same terms and conditions as specified for parking tickets (see Regulation 315, Parking, and Regulation 325, Summary Appeals Court).

(POLICY APPROVAL: 1-10-96, rev. 1-20-98, Board of Trustees; amended 3-17-09, amended 6-23-15)

IV. PROCEDURES

- A. Tobacco product use will be prohibited both indoors and outdoors including all common areas, building entrances, athletics fields, and sidewalks. Tobacco product use will only be permitted on a college parking lot or designated areas.
- B. The Director of Facilities Management, in consultation with the Building Supervisors, is responsible for affixing (1) non-tobacco-use signs at all WCJC campuses.
- C. The Director of Facilities Management is responsible for non-tobacco use signs.
- D. The Office of Security and Public Safety has the principal responsibility for enforcing this policy and for issuing citations (tickets) to persons who violate the policy.

V. GUIDELINES

The college expects smokers and tobacco users to abide by this policy.

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