



## Ohio Administrative Code Rule 3349-3-140 Tobacco free rule.

Effective: February 14, 2019

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### (A) Purpose

The purpose of this rule is to implement a campus wide tobacco-free rule consistent with the provisions set forth in Chapter 3794. of the Revised Code and the Ohio board of regents resolution promoting tobacco free Ohio campuses, issued on July 23, 2012.

### (B) Scope

This rule applies to all individuals who are present on the university campus, including but not limited to employees, students and visitors who may be located inside or outside of any buildings, residences, or parking lots located on the university campus.

### (C) Definitions

"Smoking" refers to means inhaling, exhaling, burning, or carrying any lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or other lighted smoking device for burning tobacco or any other plant. "Smoking" does not include the burning of incense in religious ceremony.

### (D) Rule

(1) Restrictions. To protect the health and safety of our faculty, staff, students and visitors, all property on the university campus is designed as a non-smoking, tobacco-free area. Smoking or the use of other tobacco products is prohibited anywhere in the university campus. The campus-wide tobacco ban includes the inside and outside of all buildings, any parking areas, all vehicles on campus and any personal residence.

Consistent with this rule, university groups or members of the public that schedule indoor or outdoor spaces for approved functions on the university campus are prohibited from allowing smoking or



using tobacco at their function.

(2) Enforcement. People who violate the tobacco-free environment established by this rule will be referred to the following reporting authorities for further action:

(a) Students will be reported to the chief student affairs officer for handling in accordance with the student handbook.

(b) Faculty will be reported to the office of the faculty member's dean for handling in accordance with the university faculty code of professional conduct found in appendix c of the faculty rules.

(c) Employees will be reported to human resources for handling in accordance with the employee handbook.

(d) Visitors and guests will be reported to university security where they will be escorted off of campus property should they continue to use tobacco on the university campus in violation of this rule.