

NO SMOKING AND VAPING POLICY

PURPOSE:

Curtin University Dubai is committed to maintaining a safe, healthy and smoke-free learning environment for all students, staff and visitors. This policy is established in accordance with the Knowledge and Human Development Authority (KHDA) Compliance Handbook for Higher Education Institutions in Dubai (September 2026) and applicable UAE regulations.

SCOPE:

This policy applies to all students, staff, visitors and contractors within University premises, University-provided transportation and University-organised activities, including off-campus events.

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES:

The following activities are strictly prohibited:

- a. **Smoking:** Smoking cigarettes, cigars, shisha or any other tobacco products within University premises, including classrooms, corridors, washrooms, and building entrances.
- b. **Vaping:** Using electronic cigarettes, vapes, disposable vapes, heated tobacco devices or any other electronic smoking devices, whether nicotine-containing or nicotine-free.
- c. **Possession and Distribution:** Selling, supplying, promoting or distributing tobacco products, electronic cigarettes or vaping devices on campus.
- d. **University Activities:** Smoking or vaping in University-provided transportation or during University-organised activities, whether conducted on or off campus.

MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT:

- a. All University staff and campus security personnel are authorised to identify, intervene in and report any suspected or observed violations of this policy to the Compliance Department.
- b. Students found smoking or vaping, or otherwise violating this policy, will be reported to the Compliance Department for further action.
- c. The Compliance Department is authorised to confiscate prohibited smoking or vaping devices in accordance with established University procedures.
- d. Any violation may result in disciplinary action in accordance with the University's established student disciplinary procedures, depending on the nature and severity of the violation.
- e. Repeated or serious violations may be escalated to the relevant University authorities and, at the University's discretion, to external regulatory authorities where deemed necessary or appropriate.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

All students are required to comply with this policy, cooperate with University staff and campus security personnel, and refrain from smoking or vaping in prohibited areas. Failure to comply with instructions or attempts to obstruct enforcement may constitute an additional disciplinary violation.

POLICY COMPLIANCE:

The University reserves the right to take appropriate action against any individual found violating this policy to ensure compliance with KHDA requirements and maintain a safe and healthy campus environment.

REVIEW:

This policy shall be reviewed annually or earlier, if required by the relevant regulatory authorities or University guidelines.

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