

Ashland Public Library Smoking and E-Cigarette Policy

No smoking or vaping is allowed inside the Ashland Public Library and we request that, if patrons smoke, they stay at least 25 feet from the entrances of the building.

Smoking is permitted in an outdoor space if the space is physically separated from the enclosed workspace, if the space is open to air at all times and if smoke does not travel back into the workspace. The state law does not require smokers to stand at a specific distance from the workplace although there may be some local ordinances which may have such a requirement.

Electronic cigarettes and other vaping devices

Electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) and personal vaporizing devices (“vape pens,” “vape mods”) shall be considered the same as regular cigarettes for the purpose of this policy, regardless of the nicotine content of the liquid used in such devices.

Forms of tobacco and smokeless tobacco that are prohibited include:

- Cigarettes, Cigars, Pipes
- Smokeless tobacco, also called chewing tobacco, oral tobacco, spit or spitting tobacco, dip, chew, snuff, snus, twist, plug, and dissolvable tobacco products
- Electronic cigarettes, also called “e-cigarettes,” or “electronic nicotine delivery systems”

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