

Smoking and Tobacco Use

809.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This policy establishes limitations on smoking and the use of tobacco products by members and others while on-duty or while in Humboldt County Probation Department (HCPD) facilities or vehicles.

For the purpose of this policy, smoking and tobacco use includes but is not limited to any tobacco product, such as cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, tobacco pouches, and chewing tobacco, as well as any device that is intended to simulate smoking, such as an electronic cigarette or personal vaporizer.

809.2 POLICY

The HCPD recognizes that tobacco use is a health risk and can be offensive to others. All forms of tobacco use also present an unprofessional image for the Department and its members. Therefore, all forms of tobacco use are prohibited by members and visitors in all department facilities, buildings, and vehicles, and as is further outlined in this policy (Government Code § 7597; Labor Code § 6404.5). Pursuant to County Code Section 971.2, buildings include the area surrounding the structure to a maximum of 30 feet or to the property line, whichever is less.

809.3 SMOKING AND TOBACCO USE

Smoking and tobacco use by members are prohibited any time members are in public view representing the HCPD.

It shall be the responsibility of each member to ensure that no person under the member's supervision smokes or uses any tobacco product inside County facilities and vehicles.

809.4 ADDITIONAL PROHIBITIONS

No person shall use tobacco products within 30 feet of a main entrance, exit, or operable window of any public building (including any department facility) or buildings on the campuses of the University of California, California State University, and California community colleges, whether present for training, enforcement, or any other purpose (Government Code § 7596 et seq.).