



**Dr. D. Y. PATIL VIDYAPEETH, PUNE**

**(Deemed to be University)**

(Accredited (3<sup>rd</sup> Cycle) by NAAC with a CGPA of 3.64 on four point scale at 'A++' Grade)

(Declared as Category - I University by UGC Under Graded Autonomy Regulations, 2018)

(An ISO 9001:2015, ISO 14001:2015 and Green Education Campus Certified University)

# Smoke-Free Policy

**Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune**



### NOTIFICATION

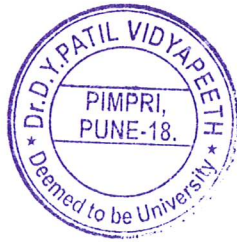
In pursuance of the resolution passed by the Board of Management at its meeting held on **28<sup>th</sup> November, 2022**, vide its resolution no. **BM-55-22** and the decision taken by the Vidyapeeth Authorities.

It is hereby notified for information of all concerned that the Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune has published Smoke Free Policy, for your information and record.

This Smoke Free Policy will serve as detailed guidelines as below;

- Vision
- Mission
- Policy Statement
- Policy Objective
- Scope
- Policy Implementation
- Roles & Responsibilities
- Promotion of a Healthy Lifestyle

The Policy will be useful to all the concerned. This will come into force with immediate effect.



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(Dr. A. N. Suryakar)

Registrar

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DR.D.Y.PATIL VIDYAPEETH

(Deemed to be University)

Pimpri, Pune-18.

Copy to;

1. P.S. to Chancellor for the Kind information of Hon'ble Chancellor, Dr.D.Y.Patil Vidyapeeth Pune.
2. P.S. to Vice Chancellor for the Kind information of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth Pune.
3. Finance Officer
4. Director (IQAC)
5. All the Heads of the Institutes
6. Web master for uploading on website.

Encl: as above





## SMOKE-FREE POLICY

WHEREAS, Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth Pune (hereinafter referred to as “the Vidyapeeth”); has been established as Deemed to be University under section 3 of the UGC Act 1956 vide Notification No. F.9-39/2001-U.3 Dated 11<sup>th</sup> January 2003 of Government of India for the purpose of ensuring proper and systematic instruction, high quality teaching and Research in Modern Medicine, Biotechnology, Bioinformatics, Nursing, Management, Indian system of Medicine and to have balanced growth in the Health and Allied Sciences.

AND WHEREAS, as per the provisions of University Grants Commission (Institution Deemed to be University) Regulations, 2019 sub clause 10.7 and sub-sub Clause No. 10.07.1 and 10.07.2 of the Regulations and also as per provisions of the Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune Bye-Laws, Byelaw No 1.1.4 clause No. i, ii, iii, vii, xx, xviii (19) provides that the Board of Management shall be the Principal Organ of Management and the Apex Executive Body of the Institution Deemed to be University, with powers to make rules and shall be the final decision making body in respect of every matter including academic, administrative, personnel, financial, development matters of institution Deemed to be University.

AND WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers conferred under UGC & Vidyapeeth Byelaws of the Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune (Deemed to be University) hereby makes the following Smoke-Free Policy to provide a smoke-free environment across all the campuses of the University and facilities.

### VISION:

Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth envisions a campus where the health and well-being of all individuals are prioritized. Our vision is to create a nurturing and conducive environment that is entirely free from the harmful effects of Tobacco use. Through this vision, we strive to protect the health of our students, faculty, staff, visitors, and the surrounding community.

### MISSION:

Our mission is to promote a culture of health and well-being, safeguard individuals from the severe health risks associated with Tobacco use, educate the campus community about these hazards, and provide resources for cessation, all while enforcing a Smoke-Free Policy that ensures compliance and a safer, Tobacco-Free environment.

### POLICY STATEMENT:

Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune, is dedicated to providing a safe, healthy, and conducive environment for its students, faculty, staff, visitors, and the surrounding community. To uphold this commitment, the university establishes a Tobacco-Free Campus Policy, which strictly prohibits the use of all Tobacco products on university property.

### POLICY OBJECTIVE:

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## The primary objectives of this policy are:

1. To promote the health and well-being of all individuals on campus by mitigating the detrimental effects of Tobacco use.
2. To create an environment that encourages and supports Tobacco cessation efforts and deters the initiation of Tobacco use among students, faculty, and staff.
3. To comply with local and national laws and regulations regarding Tobacco control and prevention.

## SCOPE:

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This policy applies to all university-owned, leased, or controlled properties, encompassing both indoor and outdoor areas. It is applicable to all students, faculty, staff, visitors, and contractors.

## POLICY IMPLEMENTATION:

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### 1. Prohibition of Tobacco Use:

- Smoking, including cigarettes, cigars, pipes, and electronic nicotine delivery systems (e-cigarettes and vaping devices), is strictly prohibited anywhere on campus.
- The use of chewing Tobacco, Snuff, or any other smokeless Tobacco products is also strictly prohibited.
- The use of hookahs, water pipes, or any similar devices for smoking Tobacco is strictly prohibited.

### 2. Signage:

- Prominent signs indicating the Smoke-Free Policy will be prominently displayed across the campus.
- These signs will also include information about available Tobacco cessation resources and the policy's enforcement.

### 3. Education and Awareness:

- The university is committed to providing information and resources to educate the campus community about the grave health risks associated with Tobacco use.
- Resources for smoking cessation, such as counseling and support services, will be made readily available to all students, faculty, and staff.

### 4. Enforcement:

- The enforcement of this policy is the shared responsibility of all members of the university community.
- Violations of this policy may result in appropriate disciplinary action, as outlined in the university's disciplinary procedures.
- The policy will be enforced fairly and consistently.

### 5. Compliance:

- All members of the campus community are expected to adhere to and support this policy.

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- Visitors and contractors will be informed about the policy upon entering the campus and are expected to comply.

## 6. Review and Amendment:

- The university will periodically review and assess the effectiveness of this policy.
- Amendments to the policy may be made as necessary to align with changes in local, state, or federal regulations or to enhance the effectiveness of the policy.

## 7. Responsibility:

- The university administration, faculty, staff, and students all share the responsibility for the successful implementation and adherence to this policy.

## **ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES:**

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### 1. University Administration:

- The university administration is responsible for the initial implementation and enforcement of the Smoke-Free Campus Policy.
- University will provide the necessary resources and support for education, awareness, and enforcement efforts.
- The administration will oversee the periodic review and potential amendment of the policy.

### 2. Faculty and Staff:

- Faculty and staff are responsible for complying with and promoting the policy.
- Faculty should actively support and participate in awareness programs and encourage students and colleagues to adhere to the policy.

### 3. Students:

- Students are expected to comply with the Smoke-Free Campus Policy.
- Students should actively participate in awareness and education programs and encourage their peers to respect the policy.

### 4. Visitors and Contractors:

- Visitors and contractors are required to adhere to the policy upon entering the campus.
- The responsibility of informing them about the policy falls on the university administration and designated staff.

### 5. Tobacco Monitors:

- The university should designate Tobacco Monitors from among the Staff, Students, or Health & Wellness Ambassadors.
- These monitors are responsible for monitoring and reporting policy violations.
- Their names, designations, and contact information should be displayed on the signage.

### 6. National Quitline:

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- The National Quitline (Contactable at 1800-11-2356) plays a crucial role in supporting individuals seeking to quit Tobacco use.
- The university will promote and facilitate access to the National Quitline's services for those who wish to quit.

## 7. Cessation Services:

- The university will support and provide information about smoking cessation services and resources, including the national quit line and "mCessation" services.

## 8. Disciplinary Authorities:

- Disciplinary authorities within the university should be responsible for taking appropriate action against policy violators, following established disciplinary procedures.

## 9. Educational Institution's Head:

- The Head of the Educational Institution has the authority to impose and collect fines for violations of Tobacco control laws.
- They should also ensure the display of statutory warnings and comply with the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 and regulations pertaining to Tobacco products.

## 10. Civil Society Organizations:

- Civil Society Organizations can play a significant role in supporting the university's efforts to enforce the policy and provide technical assistance and awareness programs.

## **PROMOTION OF A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE:**

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The university is dedicated to actively promoting a healthy lifestyle and will offer opportunities for wellness, including Tobacco cessation programs, fitness activities, and nutrition education.

**This Smoke-Free Policy will become effective from the date of notification. All individuals associated with Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune, are expected to uphold and adhere to this policy to create a healthier and safer campus environment.**