

Regulations made by the Minister under section 193 of the Public Health Act

**Government notice No 62 of 1999**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Public Health (Restrictions on Tobacco Products) Regulations 1999.
2. No person shall-
  - a. import or sell tobacco snuff or tobacco meant for chewing;
  - b. in any manner be involved in-
    - i. the publication of any advertisement for the sale or consumption of cigarettes;
    - ii. the promotion of any trade name or brand associated with a tobacco product.
  - c. smoke any tobacco product while engaged in the preparation, serving or sale of food or foodstuffs on any premises to which the public has access;
  - d. smoke any tobacco product-
    - i. in a motor vehicle carrying passengers for hire or reward;
    - ii. in a place specified in the Schedule.

(Schedule regulation:

1. Any waiting room, casualty room, ward or other room set aside for the examination or treatment of patients in a hospital, dispensary, clinic or other health institution.

2. Any crèche, kindergarten or pre-primary school, or any classroom, lecture room, library, laboratory or workshop in a primary, secondary or tertiary educational institution.

3. Any reading or lending library to which the public has access.

4. Any hall, gymnasium, swimming pool or other premises used for the practice of a sport other than premises situate on private property.

5. Any pharmacy, drugstore, lift, museum, nursery, post office or police station.

6. Any part of any office premises or other place of work intended for use by the public.)

- e. Sell cigarettes-
  - i. to a minor;
  - ii. in a tin, packet or other container unless the container carries a warning prominently displayed to the effect that "smoking causes cancer, heart disease and bronchitis"

3. No person involved in the production, marketing, distribution or sale of any tobacco product shall offer or agree to provide, any form of sponsorship to any other person in relation to a tobacco product or a trade name or brand associated with a tobacco product.
4. Any person who contravenes these regulations shall commit an offence and shall, on conviction, be liable-
  - a. on first conviction, to a fine of not less than 1000 rupees and not more than 2000 rupees;
  - b. on a second conviction, to a fine not less than 2000 rupees and not more than 5000 rupees.
  - c. on a third or subsequent conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 months.
5. The Public Health (Prohibition of Smoking) Regulation 1990 are revoked.
6. These regulations shall come into operation on 7 June 1999.

Made by the Minister on 7 June 1999.