



CLIFTON COLLEGE

Title/Date	SMOKING POLICY (UPPER SCHOOL) Updated June 2011 For cannabis or other controlled substances see the Drugs and Substance Abuse Policy
Purpose	The College wishes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide an environment that is pleasant and does not pose risks to health and safety; • To conform to the legal restrictions on young persons below the age of 16 concerning the purchase of tobacco; • To discourage pupils of all ages from smoking.
Rationale/Issues	Medical evidence suggests that smoking (and passive smoking) is associated with conditions such as respiratory diseases, heart disease and lung cancer. The College has an obligation to educate pupils about these risks; to discourage pupils from smoking; to help any who are addicted and wish to stop; and to uphold the law. We endeavour to do this through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health education; • Disciplinary restrictions and sanctions; • Pastoral support; • Ensuring that the College is a non-smoking environment.
Rules, Procedures and Practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The College is a non-smoking environment, and the School Rules state that smoking and/or the possession of cigarettes or other smoking materials is forbidden. • Smoking inside houses or other school buildings is seen as a particularly serious offence, since it constitutes a fire hazard. • Smoking in school uniform or in public areas is seen to be bringing the school into disrepute. • The Marshal and Praepostors monitor areas that pupils might use to smoke. • Any pupil wishing to give up smoking is given medical and pastoral support.
Sanctions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day pupils, or boarders on exeat, should expect to be treated in the same way as boarders if they are involved in the same incident. • Those who are found associating with smokers at the time of the offence, even though they may not have been smoking themselves, will normally receive the same sanction. • Pupils who are found in possession of large numbers of cigarettes or a large amount of other smoking materials are liable to receive a more serious punishment, especially if they are passing them or selling them on to other pupils. • The following sanctions are usually given: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Outside school buildings</u> • Block I: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First offence: Saturday night detention. • Repeat offence: Saturday night detention & letter home from the Deputy Head (Pastoral). • Block II: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First offence: Saturday night detention and contact with parents by HoM • Repeat offence: Saturday night detention & letter home from the Deputy Head (Pastoral). • <u>Inside school buildings</u> • Rustication
Links with the curriculum	Smoking and its effects are discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the the Third Form Biology programme of study – in the context of the study of the respiratory system; • As part of the Fourth Form PSHE programme.
Links with other policies	This policy constitutes part of the overall discipline policy for the Upper School.
Implementation /Dissemination	All members of the teaching staff share a responsibility for the implementation of the school's discipline policy. The policy is made clear to pupils through the school rules and is published on the college website. New parents receive a copy with the parents' handbook. Further copies are available to parents or pupils on request.
Evaluation/ Review	June 2012 / With the overall discipline policy or as necessary