SMOKING POLICY

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Authority: Wisconsin Statutes §§ 36.11 and 101.123
Rossie v. State Department of Revenue, 395 N.W.2d 801 (Wis.App. 1986)
Wis. Admin. Code sec.18.08 (9)(b) “Postings and Signage” and 18.08 (11)(a-b) “Smoking”, Wis. Stat, sec. 287.81
UWM Administration
2009 Wisconsin Act 12 (Statewide Smoking Ban)

Initiator: Physical Environment Committee

Responsible Parties: Director of Legal Affairs
Vice Chancellor of Administrative Affairs

Definition: "Smoking" shall include the burning of any variety of lighted pipe, cigar, cigarette, or other smoking equipment, whether filled with tobacco or any other type of material.

Contact Information: Director of Legal Affairs/Vice Chancellor of Administrative Affairs

I. STATEMENT OF POLICY

UWM is committed to maintaining a safe campus environment and to ensuring that it acts to the extent possible to shield its students and employees from harm, to mitigate the established health risks associated with exposure to second-hand smoke, UWM prohibits smoking in all buildings, University vehicles, and parking structures and within twenty-five (25) feet of all buildings.

To reduce the risk of fire and litter on the campus all smoking materials must be extinguished and disposed of in designated containers.

II. REPORTING OF VIOLATIONS

An employee or student who observes a violation of this policy may make the violator aware of the restrictions contained in this policy and that they are violating UWS 18.08 (9) and (11) and may report the violation to the University Police.
Upon receiving a report, the University Police will investigate the complaint and may issue a warning to the violator. If a violator continues to disregard the posted signs, the violator may be issued a citation by the University Police. Employees or students who observe a frequent pattern of smoking policy violations at a particular location may notify University Police about this location. University Police will investigate the smoking violations at this location.

III. EXEMPTIONS

From time to time, UWM may exempt employees or students from this policy under unique, limited circumstances (e.g., if smoking is required as part of an artistic performance or if smoking may be required in a laboratory by a research project). Persons seeking such an exemption should contact the Provost's office for approval.