

Virginia State University
Policies Manual

Title: Compliance with the Virginia Clean air act **Procedure : 1204**

Purpose

To comply with Executive Order 41 Virginia State University has designated all University buildings as no-smoking areas. To meet the environmental needs of non-smokers and smokers VSU has designated smoking areas outside University owned buildings. The Virginia Indoor Clean Air Act (the "Act"), Va. Code § 15.2-2800, *et seq.*, requires the University to establish reasonable no-smoking areas in those areas entered by the public in the normal use of the particular facility, considering among other things, the nature of the use and the size of the building

Authority, Responsibility and Duties

- A. In accordance with the Act, smoking in elevators and other common areas, including, but not limited to, classrooms, public restrooms, hallways, indoor service lines, cashier areas, and public meeting rooms is prohibited. In other areas, reasonable no-smoking areas shall be designated, considering the nature of the use and the size of the building.
- B. Designated smoking areas may be established; however, such areas shall not encompass so much of the building, structure, space, place, or area open to the general public that reasonable no-smoking areas, considering the nature of the use and the size of the building, are not provided. Further, such designated smoking areas must be separate, to the extent reasonably practicable, from those areas entered or used by the public in the normal use of the facility. Ventilation systems and existing physical barriers shall be used when reasonably practicable to minimize the permeation of smoke into no-smoking areas. The Act does not require physical modification or alteration to existing structures to achieve these requirements.
- C. To ensure that the University is in full compliance with the Act, the campus Safety and Security Committee is hereby charged with conducting a review and survey of all University facilities (in coordination with building coordinators) to identify and to establish no-smoking and smoking areas in accordance with the provisions and guidelines of the Act.

Definitions

None

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References

Executive Order (EO) 41 Banning Smoking in State Offices and Vehicles
Virginia Indoor Clean Air Act

Approved by: 

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