

CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

Age restriction for e-cigarettes

1. Should the minimum age of sale for e-cigarette devices, refills (e-liquids) be set at 18?

Yes No

2. Should age of sale regulations apply to:

a. only e-cigarette devices and refills (e-liquids) that contain nicotine or are capable of containing nicotine, or

b. all devices / refills (e-liquids) regardless of whether they contain or are capable of containing nicotine?

a ^{N/A} b *They should apply to neither*

3. Whom should the offence apply to: *There should be no offence*

a. the retailer selling the e-cigarette *N/A* a
b. the young person attempting to purchase the e-cigarette *N/A* b
c. both *N/A* c

4. Should sales of e-cigarettes devices and refills (e-liquids) from self-service vending machines be banned?

Yes No

5. Should a restriction be in place for other e-cigarette accessories?

Yes No

6. If you answered "yes" to question 5, which products should have restrictions applied to them?

Comments N/A

Proxy purchase for e-cigarettes

7. Should the Scottish Government introduce legislation to make it an offence to proxy purchase e-cigarettes?

Yes No

Domestic advertising and promotion of e-cigarettes

8. Should young people and adult non-smokers be protected from any form of advertising and promotion of e-cigarettes?

Yes No

9. In addition to the regulations that will be introduced by the Tobacco Products Directive do you believe that the Scottish Government should take further steps to regulate domestic advertising and promotion of e-cigarettes?

Yes No

10. If you believe that regulations are required, what types of domestic advertising and promotion should be regulated?

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| a. Bill boards | N/A | a <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b. Leafleting | | b <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c. Brand-stretching (the process of using an existing brand name for new products or services that may not seem related) | | c <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d. Free distribution (marketing a product by giving it away free) | | d <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e. Nominal pricing (marketing a product by selling at a low price) | | e <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f. Point of sale advertising (advertising for products and services at the places where they were bought) | | f <input type="checkbox"/> |
| g. Events sponsorship with a domestic setting | | g <input type="checkbox"/> |

11. If you believe that domestic advertising and promotion should be regulated, what, if any, exemptions should apply?

Comments N/A

12. Are you aware of any information or evidence that you think the Scottish Government should consider in relation to regulating domestic advertising in relation to impacts on children and adults (including smokers and non-smokers)?

Comments They should consider any evidence of actual harm done by e-cigarettes, also the benefits to smokers of transferring to them.

13. Are you aware of any information or evidence that you think the Scottish Government should consider in relation to regulating domestic advertising in relation to impacts on business, including retailers, distributors and manufacturers?

Comments Tradesmen should not be penalized for selling a harmless product.

Inclusion of electronic cigarettes on the Scottish Tobacco Retailer Register

14. Do you agree that retailers selling e-cigarettes and refills should be required to register on the Scottish Tobacco Retailers Register?

Yes No

15. Do you agree that the offences and penalties should reflect those already in place for the Scottish Tobacco Retailers Register?

Yes No

16. If you answered 'no', to question 15, what offences and penalties should be applied?

Comments None

E-cigarettes – use in enclosed public spaces

17. Do you believe that the Scottish Government should take action on the use of e-cigarettes in enclosed public spaces?

Yes No

18. If you answered 'yes' to Question 17, what action do you think the Scottish Government should take and what are your reasons for this?

Comments

19. If you answered, 'no' to Question 17, please give reasons for your answer.

Comments *There is no evidence that e-cigarettes harm either the user or those nearby.*

20. Are you aware of any evidence, relevant to the use of e-cigarettes in enclosed spaces, that you think the Scottish Government should consider?

Comments *They should consider the lack of evidence of harm.*

Smoking in cars carrying children aged under 18

21. Do you agree that it should be an offence for an adult to smoke in a vehicle carrying someone under the age of 18?

Yes No

22. Do you agree that the offence should only apply to adults aged 18 and over?

Yes No *N/A* *There should be no offence*

23. If you answered 'no' to Question 22, to whom should the offence apply?

Comments *To nobody*

24. Do you agree that Police Scotland should enforce this measure?

Yes No

25. If you answered 'no' to Question 24, who should be responsible for enforcing this measure?

Comments *Nobody. A golden opportunity to leave people alone!*

26. Do you agree that there should be an exemption for vehicles which are also people's homes?

Yes No *N/A* *No need: it would apply to none of them.*

27. If you think there are other categories of vehicle which should be exempted, please specify these?

Comments

None

28. If you believe that a defence should be permitted, what would a reasonable defence be?

Comments

No defence necessary

Smoke-free (tobacco) NHS grounds

29. Should national legislation be introduced to make it an offence to smoke or allow smoking on NHS grounds?

Yes No

30. If you support national legislation to make it an offence to smoke on NHS grounds, where should this apply?

- N/A*
- a. All NHS grounds (including NHS offices, dentists, GP practices) a
 - b. Only hospital grounds b
 - c. Only within a designated perimeter around NHS buildings c
 - d Other suggestions, including reasons, in the box below

Comments

31. If you support national legislation, what exemptions, if any, should apply (for example, grounds of mental health facilities and / or facilities where there are long-stay patients)?

N/A

Comments

32. If you support national legislation, who should enforce it?

N/A

Comments

33. If you support national legislation, what should the penalty be for non-compliance?

N/A

Comments

34. If you do not support national legislation, what non-legislative measures could be taken to support enforcement of, and compliance with, the existing smoke-free grounds policies?

Comments *In general, there should be as little interference as possible*

Smoke-free (tobacco) children and family areas

35. Do you think more action needs to be taken to make children's outdoor areas tobacco free?

Yes No

36. If you answered 'yes' to Question 35, what action do you think is required:

a. Further voluntary measures at a local level to increase the number of smoke-free areas a

b. Introducing national legislation that defines smoke-free areas across Scotland b

c. That the Scottish Government ensures sufficient local powers to allow decisions at a local level as to what grounds should be smoke-free c

d. Other actions. Please specify in the box below

Comments

37. If you think action is required to make children's outdoor areas tobacco-free, what outdoor areas should that apply to?

Comments

Age verification policy 'Challenge 25' for the sale of tobacco and electronic cigarettes

38. Do you agree that retailers selling e-cigarettes, refills and tobacco should be required by law to challenge the age of anyone they believe to be under the age of 25?

Yes No

39. Do you agree that the penalties should be the same as those which are already in place for selling tobacco to someone under the age of 18?

Yes No

Unauthorised sales by under 18 year olds for tobacco and electronic cigarettes

40. Do you agree that young people under the age of 18 should be prohibited from selling tobacco and non-medicinal e-cigarettes and refills unless authorised by an adult?

Yes No

41. Who should be able to authorise an under 18 year old to make the sale, for example, the person who has registered the premises, manager or another adult working in the store?

Comments *Any of those*

42. Do you agree with the anticipated offence, in regard to:

a. the penalty

b. the enforcement arrangements

There should be no offence

a

b

Equality Considerations

43. What issues or opportunities do the proposed changes raise for people with protected characteristics (age; disability; gender reassignment; race; religion or belief; sex; pregnancy and maternity; and sexual orientation)?

Comments *None. A silly question*

44. If the proposed measures are likely to have a substantial negative implication for equality, how might this be minimised or avoided?

Comments *N/A*

45. Do you have any other comments on or suggestions relevant to the proposals in regard to equality considerations?

Comments *No*

Business and Regulatory Impacts Considerations

46. What is your assessment of the likely financial implications, or other impacts (if any), of the introduction of each of these proposals on you or your organisation?

Comments

47. What (if any) other significant financial implications are likely to arise?

Comments

48. What lead-in time should be allowed prior to implementation of these measures and how should the public be informed?

Comments

They should not be implemented

49. Do you have any other comments on or suggestions relevant to the proposals in regard to business and regulatory impacts?

Comments

They would lead to a severe further diminution of people's freedom, and threaten the livelihood of tradesmen.

As a party to the World Health Organization's Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC), Scotland has an obligation to protect the development of public health policy from the vested interests of the tobacco industry. To meet this obligation, we ask all respondents to disclose whether they have any direct or indirect links to, or receive funding from, the tobacco industry. We will still carefully consider all consultation responses from the tobacco industry and from those with links to the tobacco industry and include them in the published summary of consultation responses.

Comments

I have no link with the industry and am not even a smoker — I gave up smoking for my health, and if e-cigarettes had been around I might have found giving up much easier.