

# Enforcement of this policy

The Institute will take appropriate action to ensure that this policy is implemented in a fair and consistent manner and reserves the right to impose penalties on any individual who is found contravening the policy.



Staff members and students should inform their manager/supervisor of anyone who fails to comply with this policy.

Staff members and students not complying with this policy will be subject to the usual disciplinary procedure.

Visitors, contractors and suppliers not adhering to this policy will be asked to leave the premises.



## SMOKING CESSATION PROGRAMMES

The Institute will provide guidance and information to staff and students who choose to stop smoking. Details of this assistance can be obtained from the:

**Medical Centres:** . . . . . 051-302873 / 845671

**Students Union:** . . . . . 051-378390 / 302275

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Further information can be obtained from the:

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICE,

Waterford Institute of Technology, Cork Road, Waterford.

Tel: 051-845517 • Fax: 051-302711 • Email: h&s@wit.ie

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# WORKING TOGETHER FOR CLEANER AIR



# SMOKE FREE POLICY

For all Staff, Students, Visitors  
and Contractors

# Introduction



Smoking is the single largest cause of preventable ill health and premature death in Ireland and is a major cause of lung cancer, chronic bronchitis/emphysema and coronary heart disease.

Passive smoking is the involuntary intake of smoke by a person other than the actual smoker. When non-smokers share a space with someone who is smoking, they are exposed to passive smoking, second-hand smoke or Environmental Tobacco Smoke (ETS).

ETS is a complex mixture of several thousand compounds and contains many toxic agents that are known to cause heart disease, cancer and other diseases.

Since many people spend a considerable part of their adult lives at work, it is important that their work environment is as free as possible of health risks.



# Smoke Free Policy

The Institute is fully committed to establishing a healthy environment for all staff and students by eliminating exposure to environmental tobacco smoke. Therefore:



- **Smoking is prohibited inside all buildings and in all Institute owned and/or leased vehicles.**
- **Smoking is prohibited directly outside ALL building entrances and exits.**

## SMOKING FACILITIES

Smoking shelters are available as follows:

### Main Campus:

- Outside the Health Sciences Building
- Between the School of Business Building and the Library
- Between the Main Building and the W Corridor
- Between the Gallery and Walton IT Building

### College Street Campus:

- Outside the Main Building
- In St Dominic's Car Park (near chapel)

### Applied Technology Building:

- Outside the Main Building

All staff and students are encouraged to use the smoking facilities which have been provided for your comfort.

Cigarette bins are available on each campus. Please dispose of cigarette butts in a responsible manner.

Please cooperate with any persons giving directions regarding the use of smoking shelters.