



## Smoking Policy

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THIS POLICY APPLIES TO MILLFIELD.

This policy encompasses any materials that are 'smoked' or 'vaped' including electronic cigarettes.

No-one any longer denies the damage smoking inflicts on health. Millfield takes the whole issue of smoking very seriously indeed. Smoking can also cause a significant fire hazard.

### E-cigarettes and vaping

Vaping is strictly forbidden at all times and in all places. As a consequence, vaping incurs the same sanctions as smoking.

### Rules

Smoking and possession of cigarettes, tobacco, e-cigarettes and associated paraphernalia is forbidden at all times and in all places.

### Sanctions

#### Years 9,10,11:

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| 1. First Level:  | School Detention and letter home                          |
| 2. Second Level: | HOY Detention and letter home from HoY.                   |
| 3. Third Level:  | SLT Detention and letter home from Deputy Head (Pastoral) |
| 4. Fourth Level: | Suspension and letter home from Deputy Head (Pastoral)    |

After second level sanction, the student must engage with smoking cessation programme offered at Millfield Medical Centre.

#### Sixth formers:

On entering the sixth form, previous sanctions for smoking related offences will be remain logged on a student's iSAMS record but future smoking related misdemeanours would be reset to commence at the first level. It is hoped that previous engagement with a smoking cessation programme, close pastoral support and PSHEE guidance would prevent a rapid escalation of sanctions.

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| 1. First Level:  | School Detention and letter home                          |
| 2. Second Level: | HOY Detention and letter home from HoY                    |
| 3. Third Level:  | Second HOY Detention and letter home from HoY             |
| 4. Fourth Level: | SLT Detention and letter home from Deputy Head (Pastoral) |
| 5. Fifth Level:  | Suspension and letter home from Deputy Head (Pastoral)    |

The location of the offence will be considered, those caught on campus will follow the above incline of sanctions. Those caught 'out of bounds' will be subject to the above, and they will also be sanctioned for being out of bounds. **For those smoking/vaping inside any school building the first offence will be at level 2 and the second at level 4.**

A person must be over 18 to buy cigarettes or e-cigarettes in the UK. If a person is under 16 the police have the right to confiscate their cigarettes. It is illegal:

- for shops to sell cigarettes or e-cigarettes to a person who is under 18
- for an adult to buy cigarettes or e-cigarettes for a person who is under 18
- to smoke in a car (or other vehicle) with anyone under 18

Students who supply cigarettes or e-cigarettes to students under the age of 18 will be subject to severe and proportionate sanctions.

Note: Those in the company of smokers and / or those vaping are likely to receive the same sanctions and will typically enter the incline of sanctions at level 1.

However, those caught in the company of smokers will not move from level 2 to level 3 unless there is a history of defiance.

### **Education and Prevention**

- I. PSHEE programme
- II. Housemaster/mistress and Head of Year advice and warnings
- III. Counselling
- IV. Medical Centre visits and support

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