

THE CITADEL
The Military College of South Carolina
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GENERAL ORDER
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POLICY ON USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

1. PURPOSE

This General Order outlines The Citadel's policy to improve the overall aesthetics and air quality within campus buildings, and thereby assure a healthful, pleasant, and safe working environment for all personnel on campus.

2. REFERENCE

South Carolina Clean Indoor Air Act of 1990.

3. DEFINITION

Tobacco products include cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, and related material normally ignited and consumed while smoking; and, "smokeless" tobacco such as snuff and "chew."

4. POLICY

A. An inherent requirement of the State and The Citadel is to promote good health and provide a pleasing, healthful environment for our students, faculty, staff and visitors. Accordingly, all Citadel facilities will be smoke-free environments. Smoking will not be allowed inside any Citadel building. The possession of lighted smoking material in any form is prohibited in all areas of campus buildings operated or under control of The Citadel. This includes all buildings within the perimeter fence, which borders The Citadel campus, and the Faculty House and the Career Center, except as noted below. This policy does not apply to campus quarters; The Citadel Beach House; areas open to the environment in Johnson Hagood Stadium and College Park; designated areas within the barracks; and, facilities leased to others such as the Alumni Center and the Alumni House. All spent smoking material will be disposed of in suitable trash containers, ensuring that any lighted material is extinguished.

B. The use of smokeless tobacco is also a health hazard and is considered offensive to many individuals. Its use will not be allowed inside any campus building as defined above. This policy does not apply to campus quarters; individual rooms in the barracks; areas open to the environment in Johnson-Hagood Stadium and College Park; and, facilities

leased to others, such as the Alumni Center and Alumni House. Spent smokeless tobacco products will be disposed of in suitable containers so as not to litter or deface campus property.

C. Building Coordinators are assigned the responsibility of administering this policy for each building or area under their supervision. In addition, building coordinators will ensure that uniform "No Smoking" signs are appropriately displayed. Receptacles for disposing of smoking materials will be available at the entrances to each building. The Director of Physical Plant is responsible for acquisition and placement of signs and receptacles in coordination with assigned building coordinators.

D. The Commandant of Cadets has published guidance in Chapter 3 of the Cadet "Blue Book Regulations" that apply to smoking and will update the document accordingly to be consistent with this policy.

E. The Dean of Graduate and Professional Studies will ensure that this policy is disseminated to graduate and undergraduate students in the evening and summer school programs. While residing in the barracks during summer sessions, policies for students will be consistent with guidance established by the Commandant of Cadets for Citadel Cadets.

5. PASSIVE (SECONDARY) SMOKING

The Environmental Protection Agency has reported that secondhand smoke is harmful to one's health. The report classified environmental tobacco smoke as class A or "known" human carcinogen. In recognition of the increased health hazard of secondary smoke on nonsmokers, smoking is to be held to an absolute minimum in areas where there are non-smokers and in areas near entrances where the smoke can infiltrate inside air.

6. COMPLIANCE

Non-compliance with this policy may result in disciplinary action and subject the person to the penalties provided for in the South Carolina Clean Indoor Air Act of 1990.

7. This General Order will be implemented effective 1 August 2006 at which time General Order Number 2, dated 7 February 2003, will be rescinded.

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