



**S.Seifullin Kazakh Agrotechnical Research University**

## **S.Seifullin Kazakh Agrotechnical Research University tobacco smoking prevention Policy**

**THE UNIVERSITY IS A SMOKE-FREE AREA**



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## **General provisions**

1.1. This Tobacco Smoking Prevention Policy (hereinafter referred to as the Policy) has been developed in order to create a healthy, safe and smoke—free educational environment, as well as to ensure compliance with the requirements of the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of protecting the health of citizens from exposure to tobacco smoke and the consequences of tobacco product consumption.

1.2. The Policy applies to all students, faculty, administrative, economic and support staff, as well as visitors to the S.Seifullin Kazakh Agrotechnical Research University (hereinafter referred to as the University).

1.3. The implementation of the Policy is part of the University's system of measures to promote health, create a culture of healthy lifestyle and sustainable development.

## **2. Purposes and objectives of the Policy**

2.1. The purpose of the Policy is to create and maintain a smoke-free university environment that promotes the health of students and staff.

2.2. Main objectives of the Policy:

- Prevention of the spread of tobacco smoking among students and University staff;
- Ensuring strict observance of the smoking ban in the premises and on the University grounds;
- Raising awareness about the dangers of tobacco products and secondhand smoke;
- Assistance to people who want to give up tobacco use;
- Developing partnerships with government and public organizations in the field of tobacco smoking prevention.

## **3. Legal grounds**

3.1. The Policy has been developed on the basis of and in compliance with the following regulatory documents:

- Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated July 7, 2020 No. 360-VI Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On the health of the people and the healthcare system".
- WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control of May 21, 2003.
- The Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On State regulation of production and turnover of tobacco products".
- Article 441 of the Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Administrative Offenses" dated July 5, 2014 No. 235-V SAM,

which imposes penalties for violations of the prohibition of tobacco consumption in places where it is established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

- The state program "Healthy lifestyle".
- Charter of S. Seifullin Kazakh Agrotechnical Research University

#### **4. Prohibitions and restrictions**

4.1. On the territory of the University, including academic buildings, laboratories, administrative buildings, dormitories, sports and cultural facilities, as well as adjacent territories, it is strictly prohibited:

- Smoking of any type of tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes, tobacco heating systems, vapes, hookahs and other nicotine-containing devices;
- Sale, distribution, advertising and demonstration of tobacco products;
- Sponsorship or promotion of tobacco brands.

4.2. Smoking is allowed only in specially equipped places marked with appropriate signs, provided that sanitary and fire safety requirements are met.

#### **5. Policy implementation measures**

5.1. Conducting regular preventive and educational events, lectures, seminars, contests and promotions aimed at promoting a healthy lifestyle and quitting smoking.

5.2. The inclusion of topics related to the dangers of tobacco smoking, the formation of a culture of health and environmental awareness in educational and educational programs.

5.3. Placement of visual propaganda and information materials about the dangers of smoking on the University grounds.

5.4. Providing counseling and psychological support to students and staff wishing to quit smoking, in cooperation with medical institutions.

5.5. Conducting annual monitoring of the prevalence of tobacco smoking and the effectiveness of preventive measures.

#### **6. Responsibility and control**

6.1. Responsibility for the implementation of this Policy lies with the Vice-Rector for Socio-Cultural Development, the Department of Youth Policy and Social Work, as well as the heads of the University's structural divisions.

6.2. Persons who violate the requirements of the Policy are subject to disciplinary liability in accordance with internal regulatory documents and the current legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.