



MUSEUM OF TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Operating Policy

M/OP 1.8: Tobacco-Free Environment

Date: November 2013 (rev. August 2014)

Purpose: The Tobacco-Free Environment policy clarifies for faculty, staff, students, and the general public the reasons why the Museum of Texas Tech University and its units are a tobacco-free environment.

Review: This policy will be reviewed in even-numbered years.

POLICY

Smoking and other uses of tobacco products are not permitted in Museum buildings (University OP 61.02, section 4.f, Use of University Grounds, Facilities, and Amplification Equipment).

In the interest of providing a smoke-free environment, smoking—including the use of electronic cigarettes—is prohibited in all campus academic, administrative, and athletic facilities ([University Operating Policy 60.15](#), Smoke-Free and Tobacco-Free Environment). Smoking areas are located at least twenty-five (25) feet from all pedestrian entrances (ingress or egress) or public places. This restriction includes any entryways or walkways leading to entrances. In order to abide by University policies, the Museum of Texas Tech University provides for the health and safety of students, faculty, staff, and the general public by controlling fire hazards and assuring a smoke-free environment in all academic and administrative facilities.

As an accredited museum, the Museum also demonstrates stewardship of its collections through the careful, sound, and responsible management of that which is entrusted to the Museum's care. Effective collections stewardship ensures that the objects the Museum owns, borrows, and holds in its custody are available and accessible to present and future generations. The Museum of Texas Tech University does not allow smokeless tobacco or e-cigarettes in the buildings at any time to ensure the safety and preservation of its collections and maintain its accreditation.

In addition to the above, smoking is prohibited in all areas of the Lubbock Lake Landmark—indoor and outdoor—except in designated smoking-only areas.