

Dear Retailer:

On June 10, 2014, the Carver Board of Health voted to amend their tobacco regulation, **effective July 1, 2014**. The Board also voted to ban the sale and distribution of synthetic marijuana, **effective July 1, 2014**. Copies of both regulations are enclosed.

Summary of Tobacco Regulation

1. It includes all nicotine delivery products, including electronic cigarettes and liquid nicotine (“e-juice” or “e-liquid”) as tobacco products.
2. It regulates nicotine delivery products, including electronic cigarettes exactly the same as other tobacco products.
3. It requires that all cigars be sold in original packages of 2 or more and that the packages be sold at a cost of \$5 or more. Single cigars that cost \$2.50 or more are not covered by this regulation.
4. It bans the sale of all flavored tobacco products, including flavored electronic cigarettes and flavored nicotine liquid, except in smoking bars and retail tobacco stores that don’t permit anyone under the age of 18 from entering.
5. It bans the sale of all blunt wraps.
6. It bans the sale of all tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes, in health care institutions, including pharmacies.
7. It bans the sale of all tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes in educational institutions.

It is the responsibility of the retailer to ensure compliance with these regulations. Penalties for violations are as follows:

1. First violation - \$100 fine
2. Second violation within 24 months of current violation - \$200 fine and Tobacco Product Sales Permit shall be suspended for 7 consecutive days;
3. Third violation within a 24 month period - \$300 fine and permit shall be suspended for 30 consecutive days;
4. For further violations or repeated violations within a 24 month period, the Board of Health may revoke a Tobacco Product Sales Permit.

An agent of the board of health will be visiting your store with signage and will be available to answer any questions you might have before July 1, 2014. You may also call the Board of Health at (508) 866-3420 or the Cape Cod Regional Tobacco Control Collaborative at (508) 375-6621 with questions.

Summary of Synthetic Drug Regulation

1. Bans the sale and distribution of all synthetic marijuana.
2. Penalties
 - a. First violation: \$100 fine.
 - b. Second violation: \$200 fine.
 - c. Third or more violation: \$300 fine.
3. Enforcement shall be by the Carver Board of Health or the Carver Police Department.

If you have any questions please call the Carver Board of Health at (508) 866-3420.