



## Cortland Free Library

*Books are just the beginning!*

**Policy Category:** Public Space

**Policy Title:** No Smoking/Vaping Policy



### Need for Policy

To provide a healthy, comfortable, and clean environment free of smoking and vaping; to reduce exposure to secondhand smoke and toxins; and to reduce litter from discarded smoking/vaping products.

### Policy

In accordance with [NYS Public Health Law §1399-o](#) and as part of the [Tobacco-Free Zone of Cortland County](#), Cortland Free Library does not permit the smoking or vaping of any product (including but not limited to tobacco, tobacco substitutes, and cannabis) in any form (including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, hookahs, electronic cigarettes, and vaping devices), within the Library, on its property, or within one hundred feet of library entrances, exits and outdoor areas.

### Compliance

In accordance with the Library of Conduct, anyone in violation of this policy who refuses to comply will be asked to leave the premises. (Exemption: Smoking/vaping within a private vehicle that is more than 25 feet from a facility entrance and any ventilation intake.)

Library staff will make periodic observations of the outdoor areas to monitor compliance and help to promote awareness of this policy.

The Library Director is responsible for posting signage on library grounds, inside the library, and posting relevant information on the library's website.

Questions related to the policy and reports of non-compliance can be directed to the Library Director.

**Approved: 5/17/2023** (This policy replaces the "Tobacco Free Policy" approved on June 17, 2020, originated on September 24, 2014.)