University of Mississippi Smoke Free Policy FAQs

Q: Why was this policy instituted?
A: The policy resulted from a resolution created by the Associated Student Body. Chancellor Dan Jones approved the idea and appointed a committee to enact the proposal.

Q: What does this policy mean for the University of Mississippi?
A: Smoking is prohibited at all times, and at all locations of The University of Mississippi Oxford campus, including University-owned facilities, properties, and grounds. This includes but is not limited to the following:
  o The interior of all University-owned buildings
  o All outside property or grounds of the Oxford campus, including sidewalks, parking lots, recreational areas and partially enclosed areas such as walkways, breezeways, patios, porches, gazebos, tents and bus shelters
  o Within any University of Mississippi-owned vehicles, including buses, vans, shuttles, golf carts and all other University vehicles; and
  o All indoor and outdoor athletics venues and facilities.

Q: Does this policy apply to all University of Mississippi campuses?
A: No. This policy only applies to the Oxford campus.

Q: What does the policy mean by “smoking”?
A: For purposes of this policy, “smoking” means inhaling, exhaling, burning, carrying or possessing any lighted tobacco product, including cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, and any other lit tobacco products, including electronic cigarettes that emit smoke.

Q: What is the punishment if you are found smoking on campus?
A: Those who are found smoking on campus may be subject to a $25 fine.

Q: Where can I read the policy?
A: You can read the full policy online.

Q: Does the university offer cessation programs for those who want to quit?
A: Yes, the university offers multiple cessation options. For more information, contact Wellness Education at 662-915-6543.

Q: What should you do if you see someone smoking on campus?
A: If you want to report someone smoking on campus, please call the University Police Department at 662-915-7234.