



Thammasat University Notification

on

Designating Thammasat University as a Non-smoking Area

With reference to the Notification by the Ministry of Public Health regarding the Designation of Names and Types of Public Places, Workplaces, and Vehicles and the Designation of All or Part of Such Places or Vehicles as Non-Smoking Areas or Smoking Areas, B.E. 2561 (2018) under the Tobacco Products Control Act, B.E. 2560 (2017), effective from February 3, 2562 onwards, higher education institutions shall be public places where protection of the health of non-smokers is required, and “tobacco products” shall refer to products that contain tobacco or the *Nicotiana tabacum* plant and shall include any other products with nicotine as a component which are consumed by smoking, sucking, chewing, eating, blowing or spraying into the mouth or nose, application to skin, or by any other methods for similar purposes, excluding, however, medicine according to drug laws.

In accordance with the Notification of the Ministry of Public Health, the University hereby issues a policy and practice guidelines in designating Thammasat University as a non-smoking area and procedures to ensure the campuses of Thammasat University are non-smoking areas:

1. Thammasat University is committed to guaranteeing the life quality and promoting the well-being of people of all genders and ages by organizing campaigns to reduce the number of current and new smokers.
2. All campuses and the entire area of the University, both inside and outside buildings or other structures, including areas that are reserved for public use, whether fenced or not, are designated as non-smoking areas. However, smoking areas can be specifically

arranged strictly outside buildings or other structures. Each education center may designate certain areas as its respective smoking area.

3. Designating the smoking area in accordance with article 2 shall take into account the following matters:
 - 3.1 Displaying signs that can be clearly seen that the area is non-smoking. In the case of public buildings or outdoor areas, signs must be displayed at all entrances. In the case of vehicles, signs must be displayed inside the vehicle.
 - 3.2 Eliminating equipment or facilities for smoking.
 - 3.3 Having conditions and other characteristics in accordance with the notifications from the Minister following the recommendations of the National Tobacco Product Control Board.

4. Designating the smoking area in accordance with article 2 shall take into account the following matters:
 - 4.1 Displaying signs that can be clearly seen that the area is a designated “smoking area”.
 - 4.2 Not being in the proximity of entrances or exits of places or vehicles, or in any other areas that are obvious and can be easily seen.
 - 4.3 Partitioning the area clearly while taking into account proper ventilation and avoiding characteristics that may cause a nuisance to others.
 - 4.4 Exhibiting campaign media to reduce and stop the consumption of tobacco products in accordance with the notifications from the Minister following the recommendations of the National Tobacco Product Control Board.
 - 4.5 Having conditions and any other characteristics in accordance with the notifications from the Minister following the recommendations of the National Tobacco Product Control Board.

5. Security officers under all agencies in the University have a responsibility to survey and take photographs of staff and students who smoke in non-smoking areas to send to their respective agency for further action.

6. Visitors to Thammasat University shall follow the Tobacco Products Control Act, B.E. 2560 (2017). Violators who smoke in non-smoking areas shall be fined at the rate specified by law.

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