

## *Smoke-Free Area Policy*

*Poltava State Agrarian University strives to create a safe, healthy and conducive environment for learning and working. We recognize that smoking harms the health of both smokers and those around them, so we implement a policy of a complete ban on smoking on the university premises.*

*The policy applies to all members of the university community: students, academic staff, employees, administration, visitors and contractors.*

Tobacco and Smoking Policy Basics. Smoking of tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, hookahs and any devices for heating tobacco is prohibited in all premises and on the entire territory of the university, including courtyards, sports fields, park areas and other adjacent areas. The policy is aimed at ensuring a safe and healthy environment for students, employees and visitors of the university, reducing the impact of passive smoking and promoting the formation of a healthy lifestyle. The university organizes educational and information campaigns, seminars and lectures dedicated to the harmful effects of smoking and the benefits of quitting tobacco products. Failure to comply with the provisions of this policy entails disciplinary liability in accordance with the rules of the internal regulations of the student campus and internal regulatory documents of the university.

The basic principles of implementing the tobacco and smoking policy include education through regular lectures, seminars and campaigns dedicated to the harm of smoking and addiction prevention. Support for those who quit smoking is provided through consultations with a psychologist, information materials and partnerships with medical institutions. Communication is carried out through the placement of information signs about the complete ban on smoking on the territory of the university. Control and reporting involve monitoring the administration's compliance with the policy and an annual analysis of its effectiveness. Cooperation is carried out with health care authorities and public organizations in order to form a culture of healthy living. The policy is periodically reviewed to comply with modern requirements of Ukrainian legislation and international standards in the field of health care. By supporting this policy, Poltava State Agrarian University confirms its commitment to creating a safe and healthy educational space, free from smoking.