

**Manhattan Area Technical College  
Institutional Policy and Procedure Manual**

**Policy No. 6.5.0**

<b>Title:</b> Smoking and Tobacco Usage Policy	
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**Policy Statement:** This purpose of this policy is to comply with Manhattan City Ordinance 6737 titled Smoking in Public Places and Places of Employment and Manhattan City Ordinance 7259 titled Electronic Cigarettes. The policy is also intended to contribute to the health and well-being of all students, employees, and visitors at Manhattan Area Technical College. MATC shall be smoke free and tobacco free except as designated in this policy.

**Procedure:**

1. Smoking, use of electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) and tobacco use in any form is prohibited in all enclosed areas within Manhattan Area Technical College worksites, without exception. This includes common work areas, classrooms, conference and meeting rooms, private offices, hallways, stairs, restrooms, employer owned vehicles, and all other enclosed facilities.
2. The only one designated tobacco areas at MATC are outdoors, within the gazebo. The gazebo is located east of the main building and immediately south of the Building B. No one may smoke along any path way or walk way leading to or from the designated smoking areas, nor may employees/students/visitors smoke outdoors in any of the grassy areas or parking lots.
3. Employees/students/visitors may smoke or use tobacco products in their personal vehicles while on campus, provided the vehicle is at least 20 feet from an outside entrance to any College building. It is not acceptable that either smoking or non-smoking employees/students/visitors are subjected to smoke when walking to their vehicle or any other destination on the premises.
4. Employees/students/visitors that choose to use the designated smoking areas do so at their own risk. Smokers and other users of tobacco products must dispose of the remains in the proper containers. This helps to keep a neat and clean environment for all employees, students, and visitors.
5. Failure to comply with this policy could result in disciplinary action and may be reported to local law enforcement authorities if deemed necessary. For complete description of Manhattan City Ordinances 6737 and 7259, please contact the Manhattan City Clerk's Office: Phone: 785-587-2404