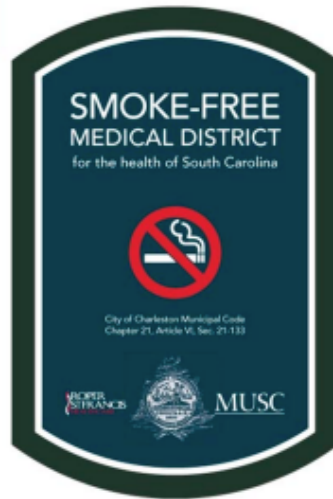
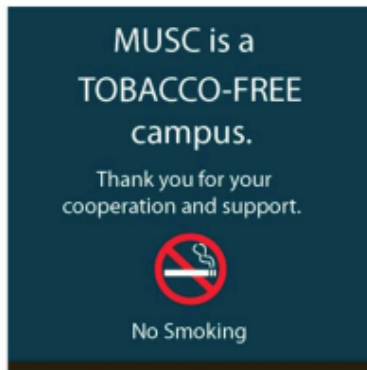


MUSC is smoke- and tobacco-free.



Tobacco-free signs are posted throughout MUSC's buildings and grounds. Smoke-free Medical District signs are also posted on Charleston city property.

Compliance of the policy and ordinance resides with everyone. Public Safety has jurisdiction to enforce city ordinances and MUSC Policy.

It takes everyone!

We're all responsible for following and communicating these policies.

Compliance and compassion must go hand-in-hand.

All employees are encouraged to assist by:

- Informing people of the policy with courtesy and respect.
- Emphasizing education and support.
- Using best judgment in stressful situations.

Key words for key moments

If you see a person smoking on MUSC property:

- Be polite and friendly.
- Assume that the person does not know about the policy.
- Explain that tobacco use is not permitted on MUSC property.
- Offer an information card, found at the QR code below.



Sample scripts

If you see someone using tobacco products

“Excuse me, you may not be aware but we are a tobacco-free campus, meaning tobacco products are prohibited on MUSC property, grounds and parking areas. Thank you for your cooperation.”

Can I use tobacco in my vehicle?

“I am sorry, but the use of tobacco products is also prohibited in personal vehicles parked on MUSC property.”

I have to have a cigarette! My loved one is very ill or just passed away.

“I am very sorry to hear about your loved one. How can I help you through this stressful time while still respecting the tobacco-free policy of this facility?”

Where am I allowed to smoke?

“Smoking and other tobacco products are not allowed anywhere on the MUSC campus, including grounds and parking areas, and smoking is also prohibited on city streets and sidewalks.”

If the person using tobacco becomes hostile, walk away and contact security.

Learn more about the policy and get help to quit using tobacco or smoking.

