TOBACCO USE* POLICY

PURPOSE:
This policy is implemented to alleviate the adverse health effects of exposure to tobacco smoke and vaping aerosols for library patrons and library staff working in Albany Public Library buildings and/or on Albany Public Library grounds; create a welcoming environment for library visitors; and improve the appearance of Albany Public Library.

POLICY:
Albany Public Library complies with the New York State Clean Indoor Air Act. (CIAA) Tobacco use* is prohibited on all Albany Public Library property including Albany Public Library owned vehicles.

*Tobacco use is defined as the use or preparation of any tobacco product (i.e. rolling of cigarettes, lighted cigarettes, electronic nicotine and vapor delivery systems which includes e-cigarettes, vaping pens, e-hookahs and similar devices, cigars, pipes, chewing tobacco, etc.) in or on any library property.

For other restrictions, see APL Behavior Policy.

PROCEDURE:
Any person found using tobacco products will be asked to leave the property.

RESPONSIBILITY:
The staff of the Albany Public Library is responsible for compliance with this policy.

ADOPTED/REVIEWED:
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