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TRADING STANDARDS SERVICE

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Prohibited Sales of Tobacco and Related Products

Prohibition on Selling Tobacco to Children Under 18

It is a criminal offence, punishable on conviction before a Sheriff by a fine not exceeding £2500, to sell tobacco or cigarette papers to any person who is under 18 years of age. You should note that any such sale is illegal whatever the apparent age of the purchaser.

Requirement to Display A Warning Notice

A notice displaying the following statement

**It is illegal to sell
tobacco products
to anyone under
the age of 18**

must be exhibited in a prominent position where the statement is readily visible to persons at the point of sale of tobacco.

The dimensions of the notice must be not less than 297 mm by 420 mm and the statement must be in characters not less than 36 mm high.

Failure to comply with this requirement is an offence punishable on conviction before a Sheriff by a fine not exceeding £1000.

If you require further information do not hesitate to contact the Trading Standards Service.

Prohibition on Selling Unpackaged and Single Cigarettes

It is a criminal offence, punishable on conviction before a Sheriff by a fine not exceeding £1000, to sell unpackaged or single cigarettes to any person.

Cigarette Vending Machines

A notice displaying the following statement

**This machine is
only for the use of
people aged 18 or over**

must be exhibited on every cigarette vending machine in such a way that the statement is readily visible to persons using the machine.

The dimensions of the notice must be not less than 60 mm by 100 mm and the statement must be in characters not less than 6 mm high.

Failure to comply with this requirement is an offence punishable on conviction before a Sheriff by a fine not exceeding £1000.

If a court is satisfied that any one person under 18 has used a cigarette vending machine, an order can be made to regulate its use or for its removal from the premises in which it is located.

Failure to comply with such an order is an offence punishable on conviction before a Sheriff by a fine not exceeding £2500.

If you require further information do not hesitate to contact the Trading Standards Service.

Cigarette Lighter Refill Canisters

A person must not sell a cigarette refill canister containing butane, or a substance containing butane, to anybody under 18.

Failure to comply with this requirement is an offence punishable on conviction before a Sheriff by a fine not exceeding £5000.

This is not an authoritative document on the law and is only intended for guidance.

For a copy of this document on audio cassette, in large print or Braille, or if you require assistance in reading this, please contact the Council's Policy Unit.

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This document is also available at www.shetland.gov.uk/tradingstandards

Do you require the services of an interpreter?

If you do, please contact **01595 744537** for assistance.

We will provide an interpreter, or we can supply the document in your choice of language.

你是否需要傳譯服務?

如果需要，請致電 01595 744537 尋求幫助。

我們會適當地為你安排傳譯人員或者提供你需要文字的文件。

ਕੀ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਕਿਸੇ ਇੰਟਰਪਰੈਟਰ (ਤੁਭਾਸ਼ੀਆ) ਦੀਆਂ ਸੇਵਾਵਾਂ ਦੀ ਲੋੜ ਹੈ?

ਜੇਕਰ ਤੁਹਾਨੂੰ ਲੋੜ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਕ੍ਰਿਪਾ ਕਰਕੇ ਸਹਾਇਤਾ ਲਈ 01595 744537 ਤੇ ਸੰਪਰਕ ਕਰੋ।

ਜਿਥੇ ਸੰਭਵ ਹੋ ਸਕਿਆ ਇੰਟਰਪਰੈਟਰ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਕਰਵਾਇਆ ਜਾਏਗਾ ਜਾਂ ਤੁਹਾਡੀ ਪਸੰਦ ਵਾਲੀ ਭਾਸ਼ਾ ਵਿਚ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ ਭੇਜਿਆ ਜਾਏਗਾ।

আপনি কি একজন দোভাষীর সাহায্য চান ?

যদি আপনার প্রয়োজন থাকে তাহলে অনুগ্রহ করে যোগাযোগ করুন -01595 744537
যেখানে সম্ভব সেখানে একজন দোভাষীর ব্যবস্থা করা হবে অথবা আপনি যে ভাষাতে চা
দলীলটি অনুবাদ করে আপনাকে প্রদান করা হবে।

کیا آپ کو انٹریپرٹری کی ضرورت ہے؟

اگر ایسا ہے تو پھر (انٹریپرٹری) مدد حاصل کرنے کیلئے فون نمبر 01595 744537 پر بات کریں۔

جہاں ممکن ہو وہاں انٹریپرٹری کی سہولت فراہم کی جائے گی یا پھر (مطلوبہ) دستہ ویز کارجمہ آپ کی

پسندیدہ زبان میں فراہم کیا جائے گا۔