



NO SMOKING WITHIN 15 METRES OF A HOSPITAL BUILDING.

As of 5 September 2022, it is an offence to smoke **within 15 metres** of a hospital building. Any closer and you can face a fixed penalty notice of £50 or a fine of up to £1,000 if taken to court. **This is a new law introduced by the Scottish Government.**

Now that it is an offence, anyone found to be smoking within the 15 metre perimeter will be asked to stop right away. Please do so and remain courteous towards those reminding you of the new no-smoking laws.

People are asked not to smoke on hospital grounds at all. Hospitals are places of health promotion and are used by many people who are particularly vulnerable to the harms and irritations caused by breathing in second-hand smoke. It benefits everyone to keep all areas around hospitals free from health-harming hazards.

Free advice, medication and support to stop smoking is available through the NHS. Visit **quityourway.scot** for more information. You can also contact Quit Your Way Scotland for free by calling an advisor on **0800 84 84 84**.

Finally, should you see people smoking in the perimeter area please report it to a member of hospital staff.

For more information on the new legislation, visit **gov.scot/nosmokingzones**