

Smokefree Places in Cumbria and Lancashire

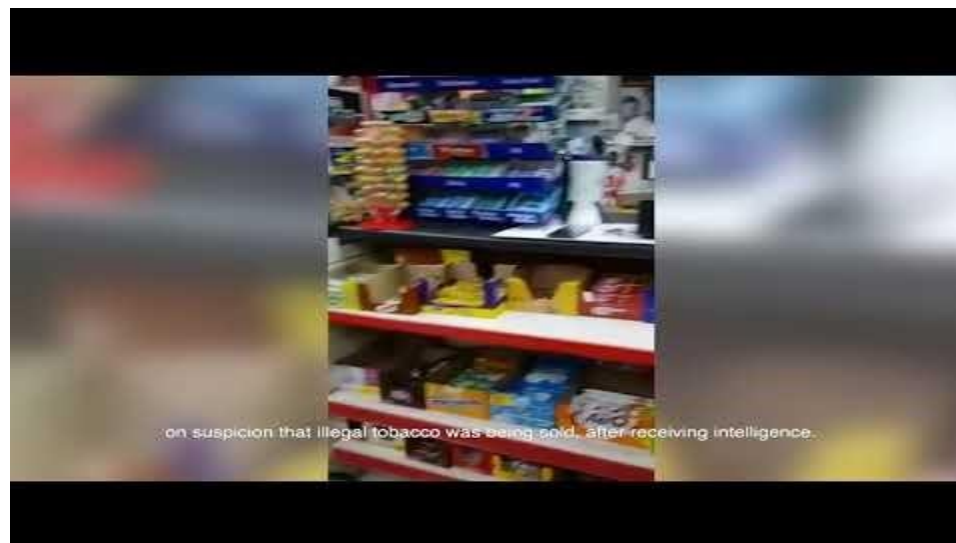
The risks of illegal products

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What is the problem?



Fact or Fiction?

- **When we say illegal tobacco we mean fake versions of regular tobacco and cigarettes**
- **It is illegal for someone under the age of 18 to smoke illegal tobacco**
- **Illegal tobacco contains rat droppings**
- **Illegal tobacco is more dangerous for health**

The Illegal market

Three main types of illegal tobacco:

- Smuggled non-duty paid
- Counterfeit
- 'Products not legally available for sale in the UK'



Why is illegal tobacco an issue?

ALL tobacco kills one in two long-term users, over 4,000 chemicals, 60+ cancer causing ingredients

Illegal tobacco:

- Availability provides an easy source of tobacco for children
- Low prices enable smokers to remain hooked
- Brings crime into communities, often through Organised Crime Gangs

What to look out for

- **PRICE** – always cheaper
- **PACKAGING** – often in colourful packaging, sometimes in standardised
- **PLACE** – often hidden in retailers, rarely found in the usual gantries



If you know where it's being sold

REPORT, REPORT, REPORT

We can only deal with it when we know where it is on sale. NO offence of possession. Let us know by reporting to Trading Standards

[Reporting to Trading Standards - Citizens Advice](#)

[Anonymous Reporting | Keep It Out \(keep-it-out.co.uk\)](#)

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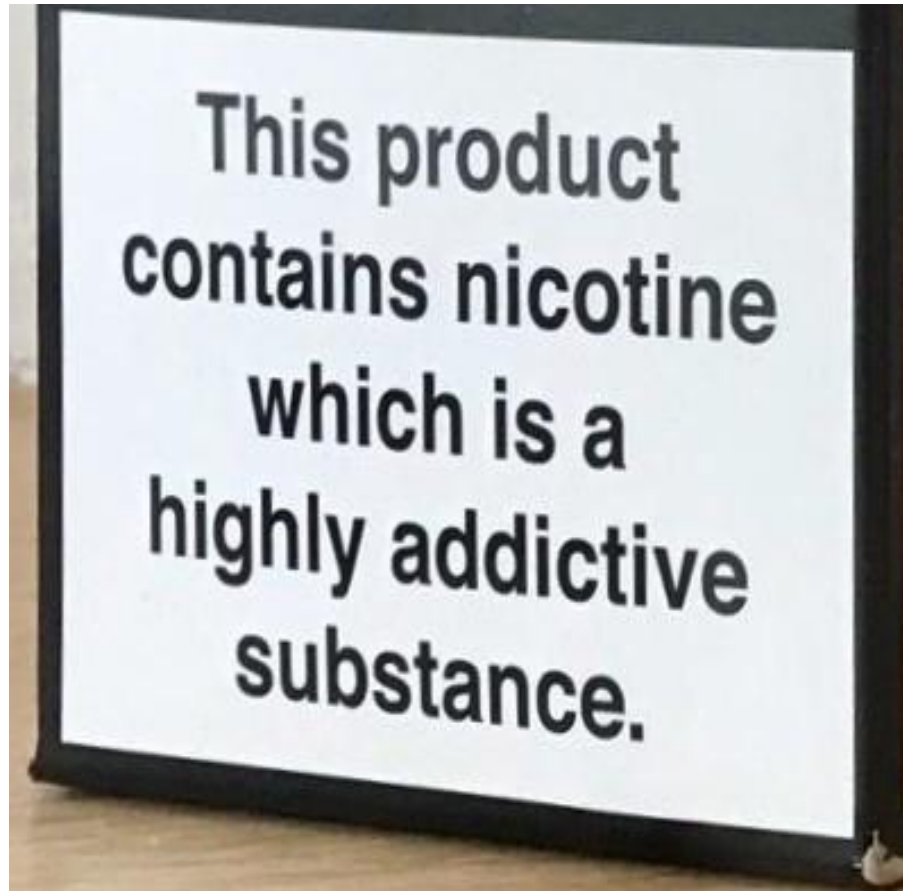
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Illegal Vapes

- No more than 2ml of liquid in a tank
- No more than 10ml of liquid in a refill container
- No more than 20mg of nicotine per ml
- Specific information required on the packaging

Health Warnings



Things to look out for

- Be wary of puffs



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- Price – illegal products often more expensive than legal products unlike tobacco
- Place – more likely to be on display than illegal tobacco but concealments also possible



Why are we concerned about illegal vapes?

- What's in them?
- Evidence reviews
- Use by children



A word about CBD and THC

- CBD allowed in 0% nicotine vapes
- CBD NOT allowed in nicotine containing vapes – report to Trading Standards
- THC not allowed in any vapes – report to the Police

A word about Spice

- Mainly found in liquids NOT disposables
- Police issue – Trading Standards do not have powers under Misuse of Drugs Act

Any Questions?

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