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## **COLLEGE NOTICE**

### **COLLEGE SMOKE-FREE POLICY**

A revised College Smoke-free Policy has been approved by the Management Board and comes into force on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2007.

From that date smoking will be prohibited inside all buildings, including catering outlets and bars, 'substantially-enclosed' outside areas, and around entrances to buildings. Smoking will also be banned in some outside areas including, at South Kensington, the Sherfield and Library walkways and Dalby Court. (Medical campuses have been entirely smoke-free since January 2006).

The full Policy is available on the College website at:

[https://www.imperial.ac.uk/spectrum/hr/hr\\_info/policies/smoking.htm](https://www.imperial.ac.uk/spectrum/hr/hr_info/policies/smoking.htm)

The new Policy is being introduced so that the College complies with the new smoke-free legislation for England and Wales which comes into effect at the beginning of July. The College also wants to reduce the nuisance and health risks experienced by non-smokers when exposed to smoke from others.

New signs to indicate smoke-free areas are being posted up around campuses. Anyone who smokes is requested to observe the spirit as well as the letter of the new Policy and stand far enough away from building entrances to avoid exposing others using the entrance to smoke.

The College Occupational Health Service has organised support groups for any members of staff or students who would like help to stop smoking. Details are available at:

[www.imperial.ac.uk/occhealth/guidanceandadvice/stopsmokingsupportservices](http://www.imperial.ac.uk/occhealth/guidanceandadvice/stopsmokingsupportservices)

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