

TORCH LAKE TOWNSHIP POLICY MANUAL

15.0 Illegal Drugs, Marihuana Use, Possession of Marihuana Products Prohibited; Tobacco Smoking or Chewing Prohibited

Illegal Drugs, marihuana smoking, digestion, vaping, topical use, or any application and marihuana possession is prohibited on Township properties – this prohibition applies whether the individual has a current or valid marihuana registry card for use of marihuana for medical purposes.

Tobacco smoking, vaping, and chewing indoors is prohibited in all Township buildings and facilities. An individual shall not smoke, vape nor chew at any meeting of a Township body, or in any enclosed, indoor area owned or operated by the Township, including Township facilities not open to the public or available only to Township staff. There is no exception for private functions held at Township facilities.

The Township shall clearly and conspicuously post “Marihuana Use and Possession is Prohibited” and “Tobacco Smoking, Vaping, and Tobacco Use Prohibited” signs or the international, “no smoking” symbol at the entrances to and in every Township building, and shall remove all ashtrays and other smoking paraphernalia from indoor Township facility.

Township staff shall inform individuals using marihuana products or marihuana possession and smoking and vaping in violation of this policy that they are in violation of state law and subject to penalties.

The Township may designate a tobacco smoking/use area outside of buildings in a location so as to not be noticeable nor offensive to others. If so, cigarette butts or other tobacco products and packaging shall not be left on the grounds.

15.1 Violation

Violations of this policy may lead to disciplinary measures up to and including employment termination or other separation of service, removal of persons from Township property and summons of law enforcement personnel.