Maryland and Federal Tobacco Sales Laws

Legal restrictions of selling tobacco to kids	Maryland Law	Federal Law
Cigarettes, cigars, smokeless, roll-your-own, e-cigarettes, and hookah may ONLY be sold to individuals age 18 or older.	\checkmark	\checkmark
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Retailers MUST Check ID of everyone under age 27 who attempt to purchase any tobacco product.		\checkmark
Cigarettes and smokeless tobacco may ONLY be sold in face-to-face transactions.*		\checkmark
Prohibits the sale of tobacco products in vending machines unless the vending machine is located in an adult-only establishment.	\checkmark	\checkmark
Cigarettes may ONLY be sold in packages of at least 20.	\checkmark	\checkmark
Prohibits breaking or opening packages of smokeless tobacco to sell in any quantity smaller than the smallest package distributed by the manufacturer for individual use.		\checkmark
Prohibits the sale of clove cigarettes.	\checkmark	\checkmark
Prohibits the sale of flavored cigarettes (excluding menthol).		\checkmark
Cigarette and smokeless tobacco manufacturers are prohibited from sponsoring any athletic or entertainment event using an identifiable logo.		\checkmark
Prohibits minors from possessing tobacco products, cigarette rolling papers, or e-cigarettes.	\checkmark	
Prohibits minors from using a fake ID to obtain tobacco products, cigarette rolling papers, or e-cigarettes.	\checkmark	
Prohibits selling or shipping cigarettes, ordered through the mail or over the internet, directly to a consumer.	\checkmark	\checkmark
Prohibits free samples of tobacco (excluding free samples of smokeless tobacco in a "qualified adult-only facility").		\checkmark
Prohibits free giveaway of gifts and items with the purchase of cigarettes or smokeless tobacco or by the redemption of coupons or points earned through purchasing cigarettes or smokeless tobacco.		\checkmark

Laws are subject to change. Visit <u>www.NoTobaccoSalesToMinors.com</u> for the most up-to-date information.



*While there is no state requirement, nearly half of Maryland jurisdictions have local laws that require face-to-face transactions for the sale of all tobacco products. Also, several counties and municipalities have enacted additional e-cigarette packaging and sales restrictions. Please consult your local health department for details.

