

Sales of tobacco products

and information about control purchases

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You need to apply for a permit to sell tobacco products. The application must be submitted to the municipality where the sales outlet is located. You may not commence sales before you receive a decision from the municipality.

Internal control programme

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You must attach your internal control programme to the application. This is a description of the procedures that you have in place for the sale of tobacco products. The internal

control programme is used to ensure that you are complying with the provisions on sale of tobacco products.

There is a link to the e-service for applying to sell tobacco products on the Huddinge Municipality website: www.huddinge.se/tobak. You will also find forms and suggestions for internal control programmes there, as well as current information on the application fee and supervisory fee.

There is a special folder dealing with the labelling of tobacco products: Märkning av tobakspaket [Labelling tobacco packaging]. This folder is also available on the website.

E-cigarettes must also be reported

If you are going to sell e-cigarettes and refill containers, you need to report this to the municipality.

For both cigarettes and e-cigarettes, only those products that are registe-

red with the Public Health Agency of Sweden may be sold in shops.

Tobacco products may not be sold:

- to persons under the age of 18
- to anyone who is unable to present ID confirming that they are over the age of 18
- to persons who are likely to give or sell the tobacco to someone who is under the age of 18 (dealing)
- as loose cigarettes or in packets containing fewer than 20 cigarettes
- in packets containing fewer than 20 portions of snus
- as rolling tobacco, if the package contains less than 30 grams of tobacco
- if the cigarette or rolling tobacco packaging does not have a safety label
- if the cigarette, rolling tobacco or water pipe packaging does not have a combined health warning
- if there is no health warning or the health warning is incorrect on the tobacco packaging or on e-cigarettes.

If you sell tobacco to someone under the age of 18

Make sure that the customer is over the age of 18 when you and your staff sell tobacco products. A person who sells tobacco products must also be responsible for ensuring that there is compliance with the rules set out in the Swedish Tobacco Act. The purpose of these rules is that children and young people should not be able to buy or use tobacco.

If you violate the Swedish Tobacco Act and sell tobacco to someone under the age of 18, you may face a fine or imprisonment for a maximum of six months. The municipality can also revoke a permit to sell tobacco products, or issue a warning. The municipality can also issue the owner with an injunction to take measures to ensure compliance with the Act. An injunction is issued with or without a penalty (an amount to be paid if the injunction is not complied with). The municipality may also prohibit certain kinds of sales or marketing.

Marketing is not permitted

The marketing of tobacco products is prohibited. One exception to this is that you may have limited marketing inside the sales outlet. This must not be intrusive, targeted or encourage the use of tobacco. Bear in mind that the main rule is that the advertising and marketing of tobacco products to It is important that the procedures for checking age are effective at every sales outlet.

consumers is not permitted.

The municipality will check that rules are being observed

You will receive annual visits by staff from Huddinge Municipality, at which checks may include your internal control programme. The municipality also provides information about the laws that apply.

The municipality carries out annual control purchases of cigarettes and/ or snus. A control purchase involves a young person who looks young, but who has reached the age of 18, attempting to buy cigarettes/snus without presenting any ID. If you sell tobacco products without age verification, the municipality will carry out a new supervisory visit and ensure that the procedures for age verification are improved.

Bear in mind that it is not permitted to smoke in the shop, at outdoor restaurants and cafés, or by entrances.



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Check the ID of anyone who appears to be under the age of 25!

Contact

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