

# Alcohol, Drug, Tobacco Policy

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Montana State University is a tobacco-free campus, including e-cigarettes (vaping), and an environment where inappropriate use of alcohol and unlawful possession, consumption, use, or distribution of illicit drugs or alcohol is prohibited. The minimum age to purchase tobacco products in the state of Montana is 21. Even though medical and recreational marijuana use is legal in the state of Montana for individuals over the age of 21, University policy prohibits its use and federal and state law prohibits the possession and/or use of drug paraphernalia at an educational institution.

The university requirements are found in the Tobacco Free Campus ([https://www.montana.edu/policy/smoking\\_facilities/](https://www.montana.edu/policy/smoking_facilities/)) Policy ([http://www2.montana.edu/policy/smoking\\_facilities/](http://www2.montana.edu/policy/smoking_facilities/)) and the Campus Alcohol and Drug Policy ([https://www.montana.edu/policy/campus\\_alcohol\\_drug/](https://www.montana.edu/policy/campus_alcohol_drug/)).

For more information on resources [http://www.montana.edu/oha/alcohol\\_drugs/](http://www.montana.edu/oha/alcohol_drugs/) ([https://www.montana.edu/oha/alcohol\\_drugs/](https://www.montana.edu/oha/alcohol_drugs/))

Valuable personal property should be adequately protected. Montana State University is not responsible for the loss or destruction of any of the personal property of students.

## Vehicles

All persons operating vehicles on the University campus should be familiar with MSU vehicle regulations, copies of which are available at the University Police Department, Roy Huffman Building, 7th and Kagy. Students, faculty, staff, and visitors must register any motor vehicles they park on the university campus for any reason.

The regulations are considered to be part of the terms and conditions of enrollment for students and of employment for staff members. Students must register their vehicles within one week after classes begin; faculty and staff must register within one week after beginning employment. A vehicle registration fee is payable at the time each vehicle is registered.

Registration is not considered complete until the registration decal is mounted on the left side of the rear bumper so that it is plainly visible from the rear. The registration decal designates areas in which the vehicle may be legally parked on campus.

All visitors are required to have a parking permit to park at Montana State University Monday through Friday, 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Parking permits may be purchased at the Visitor Information Booth located at 7th and Grant or the University Police Department at 7th and Kagy.

Montana State University assumes no responsibility for the care or protection of any vehicle or its contents while operated or parked on the campus. The University reserves the right to revoke student use or possession of vehicles for conduct or scholastic reasons. The Board of Regents has authorized Montana State University to levy fines against students, faculty, and employees for violations of parking, traffic, or vehicle registration regulations. These fines and penalties are listed in the vehicle regulations.

Bicycles must be registered if they are used on campus. They should be operated in a prudent manner and parked only in racks provided, except in the campus family housing area. Violators are subject to fine. Bicycles must be walked, not ridden, through designated areas in the central campus.

All matters concerning parking and traffic should be referred to the University Police Department. The University Police are sworn peace officers of the State of Montana and have authority as vested in these officers by law.