



Questions?

The City of Walnut is committed to ensuring all businesses comply with Ordinance 22-03

We will work with all businesses to obtain a Tobacco Retail License in order to legally sell tobacco in the City of Walnut.

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Tobacco Retail License

Informational Brochure



WHAT ARE CONSIDERED Flavored Tobacco Products

A flavored tobacco product is any tobacco product which contains an ingredient that imparts a characterizing flavor. Flavored tobacco products can include, but are not limited to, flavored: cigarettes, cigars, cigarillos, little cigars, Swishers, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, snuff, hookah, e-cigarette cartridges, e-juice, JUUL pods, and other flavored components for vaporizers.

Why?

The Tobacco Retail Licensing Ordinance establishes a license program to regulate tobacco retail sales in the City of Walnut and prohibits the sale of all flavored tobacco products.

When?

Ordinance 22-03 went into effect on April 9, 2022. However, any retailer who sells tobacco products needs to acquire an annual Tobacco Retail License from the City of Walnut beginning July 1, 2022. The sale of flavored tobacco products, including menthol cigarettes, is also prohibited effective July 1, 2022.

Who?

A tobacco retailer is any person or business that sells, offers for sale or distribution, exchanges, or offers to exchange for any form of consideration tobacco, tobacco products, or tobacco paraphernalia.



WHAT ARE CONSIDERED Tobacco Products

A tobacco product includes any product containing, made, or derived from tobacco or nicotine intended for human consumption, whether smoked, heated, chewed, absorbed, dissolved, inhaled, snorted, sniffed, or ingested by any other means including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, little cigars, chewing tobacco, pipe tobacco, or snuff. It also includes any electronic device that delivers nicotine or other substances to the person inhaling from the device including, but not limited to, an electronic cigarette, cigar, pipe, or hookah.

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Reducing youth exposure to tobacco products will counteract targeted industry marketing.

HOW?

1. Submit an application
2. Pay the permit fee
3. Issuance of license

