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UNDERSTANDING E-CIGARETTE REGULATORY STANCES ACROSS HIGH-INCOME COUNTRIES: MAKING SENSE OF DIVERGENT POLICY, POLITICS, GUIDANCE, AND EVIDENCE

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The Divergent Regulatory Stances towards E-Cigarettes in High-Income Case Countries: Evidence from the Global ECigarette Policy Scan

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Background

- Value in understanding how e-cigarettes and HTPs are regulated in different countries
- National laws to address nicotine products may or may not have been written in a manner that would regulate e-cigarettes or HTPs
- IGTC conducts a scan to identify policies regulating these products
- Policies are identified, reviewed, and IGTC staff make determinations about what domains the policies include
- These interpretations are then shared with in-country experts to confirm



https://globaltobaccocontrol.org/e-cigarette_policyscan



E-Cigarette Policy Scan: Identification Schema

34 countries excluded Media surveillance using 134 countries reviewed for e- No policies confirmed by inhttps://tobaccowatcher.globaltob cigarette regulations country experts accocontrol.org/ Communications with health No policies per media reports ministries and /or in-country No response from health tobacco control experts ministries and/or experts Health ministry websites Considered consumer **Twice** annual active outreach to WHO/EU reports products without additional representatives of **140+** countries restrictions **36** countries regulate heated tobacco products in the following regulatory domains: Sale TAPS **100** countries have active e- Importation cigarette legislation with the Manufacture following regulatory domains: Smoke-free Sale Tax TAPS Distribution 7 countries do not regulate Importation heated tobacco products Manufacture Smoke-free **55** countries, it is unknown or Tax unclear whether heated tobacco Child-safety products are regulated



Regulatory Domains

Marketing: Advertising, promotion, sponsorship

Use: Restrictions or bans in public spaces

Retail: Availability, Minimum age for purchase, Medical authorization

Pricing: Excise and consumption tax policy, Minimum pricing

Product Standards: Nicotine content, packaging, labelling, flavoring



Cigarette Regulatory Policy Data

FCTC Party Reports

National Level Sources



The Range of Regulatory Stances



Prohibitionist

Market makes up none of the economy



Contractionist

Market makes up a smaller portion of the economy



Permissive

No size preference is expressed



Expansionist

Market makes up a larger portion of the economy



Universalist

Market is as large as possible

Australia



Domain	E-Cigarettes	Cigarettes
Usage	Use w/ nic prohibited everywhere. Use w/o nic prohibited in public smoke-free spaces	Banned in All Public Places
Marketing	Restrictions on advertising and promotions	Prohibition of promotion, advertising, and sponsorship, including at the point-of-sale
Retail	Sale w/ nic is prohibited Sale w/o nic prohibited to <18	Sales prohibited to < 18
Pricing	W/o nic not subject to excise taxes	Excise: AUD 18.73/20 sticks
Product Standards	W/o nic have no health warning labels or specific packaging considerations	Plain packaging with graphic health warning labels



Canada



Domain	E-Cigarettes	Cigarettes
Usage	Clean air regulated by provinces/lower-tiered	Banned in All Public Places
Marketing	Advertising that can be seen or heard by young persons, including POS display are prohibited	Prohibition of promotion, advertising, and sponsorship, except in adult-only venues
Retail	Sales prohibited to < 18 No restrictions on which retailers can sell	Sales prohibited to < 18
Pricing	Fed Excise: None Prov Excise: Varies	Fed Excise: CAD 2.40/20 sticks Prov Excise: Varies
Product Standards	Text health warning and nicotine conc. labels Nic-containing liquids in child-resistant containers Certain additives are prohibited Nicotine concentration capped at 66mg/mL	Plain packaging with graphic health warning labels



New Zealand



Domain	E-Cigarettes	Cigarettes
Usage	Prohibited in public smoke-free areas	Banned in All Public Places
Marketing	Except for vape shops, prohibition of promotion, advertising, and sponsorship, including at the point-of-sale	Prohibition of promotion, advertising, and sponsorship, including at the point-of-sale
Retail	Sales prohibited to < 18 General retailers only carry tobacco, mint, and menthol flavor	Sales prohibited to < 18
Pricing	Not subject to any excise taxes	Excise: NZD 18.50/20 sticks
Product Standards	No nicotine concentration cap or health warning labels	Plain packaging with graphic health warning labels



United Kingdom



Domain	E-Cigarettes	Cigarette
Usage	No national restrictions	Banned in All Public Places
Marketing	Prohibition of promotion, advertising, and sponsorship, including at the point-of-sale	Prohibition of promotion, advertising, and sponsorship, including at the point-of-sale
Retail	Sales prohibited to < 18	Sales prohibited to < 18
Pricing	Consumer products subject to 20% VAT Medical products subject to 5% VAT Excise: None	Excise tax: £4.57/20 sticks plus 16.5% of retail price
Product Standards	Text health warning labels required Nic concentration capped at 20mg/mL Must not contain certain additives Child-proof packaging on e-liquid	Plain packaging with graphic health warning labels



United States



Domain	E-Cigarettes	Cigarettes
Usage	No federal ban Some subnational jurisdictions ban in smoke- free places	No federal ban Some subnational jurisdictions ban use in public
Marketing	Must not be marketed as safer than cigarettes	No TV or Radio ads Do not target youth
Retail	Sales to minors prohibited < 21	Sales to minors prohibited < 21
Pricing	Fed Excise: None State Excise: Varying levels vs. cigarettes	Fed Excise: USD 1.01/20 sticks State Excise: Varies
Product Standards	Text health warning label E-liquid must child-proof Flavors partially limited to tobacco and menthol	Text health warning label Flavors limited to tobacco or menthol





Thank you



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