

FAQ'S



What is the legal age in Ireland for a person to purchase cigarettes?

They must be 18 years of age.

Can I sell tobacco to a minor who brings a signed note from a parent?

NO. A note from an adult does not permit a retailer to sell tobacco to a minor. The retailer could still be fined and/or imprisoned.

Can I sell tobacco to a minor if a parent telephones me and requests it?

NO. A phone call from a minor's parent does not make the sale legal. A retailer should explain that the law requires that the retail sale of a tobacco product can only be made to a person who is 18 years of age or older.

What is valid ID?

You are advised to accept the following forms of Proof of Age:

- Photo Driver's License
- Current Passport
- The Garda National Age Card

Can I sell rolling papers to minors?

NO. Tobacco products cannot be sold to minors. This includes:

1. Cigarettes and cigars
2. Rolling tobacco
3. Cigarette papers and filters

How can I ensure my staff refuse tobacco sales to minors when I am not present?

Make all efforts to train your staff properly. It is important that all members of staff understand the consequences of breaching the existing law.