



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
Region V  
**SCHOOLS DIVISION OF SORSOGON**

**OFFICE OF THE SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT**

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

NO. 261, S.2024

**REITERATION OF THE  
SMOKING PROHIBITION BASED ON 100% SMOKE-FREE  
ENVIRONMENT POLICY**

**Asst. Schools Division Superintendent  
SGOD and CID Chiefs  
Education Program Supervisors  
Public Schools District Supervisors/OIC-Public Schools District Supervisors  
Unit Heads  
Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
Teaching and Non-Teaching Personnel  
Other School and SDO Personnel**

This is to reiterate the policy of the Government embodied under Civil Service Commission (CSC) Memorandum No. 17, 2009, **“SMOKING PROHIBITION based on 100% SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT POLICY”**. This policy finds its legal basis in the Tobacco Regulation Act of 2023 (Republic Act 9211) and the World Health Organization (WHO) Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC, Article 8 and its guidelines.

This policy provides, among others the Absolute Prohibition of Smoking in or on the premises, buildings, and grounds of government agencies providing health, education and/or social welfare and development services such as hospitals, health centers, schools and universities, colleges among others.

In this connection, it is hereby directed that all concerned strictly adhere to the provision of CSC Memorandum Circular on No. 17, s.2009 **which shall also include the use of vaping devices.**

For information, guidance, and strict compliance

  
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