POLICY NO. 22

TOBACCO CONTROL

This policy was adopted for the first time by Resolution Number 384-07 on November 28, 2017 and subsequently amended by Resolution:

- 407-06 April 27, 2021

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1. PURPOSE

1.1 In its commitment to cultivate a safe learning environment that promotes healthy lifestyles, John Abbott College (the "**College**") is adopting this Policy to deal with tobacco control, the whole in accordance with the applicable legislation and guidelines.

1.2 Pursuant to the *Tobacco Control Act*, CQLR, chapter L-6.2, college educational institutions must adopt a tobacco control policy geared to establishing a smoke-free environment and send it to the Minister; the policy must take into account the policy directions communicated by the Minister.

2. DEFINITIONS

As used herein, the following words and expressions shall mean:

2.1 "**Person**" means any natural or legal person who is on Campus, including, without limitation, students, employees, suppliers, service providers, tenants, visitors, etc.;

2.2 "**Tobacco Products**" includes any product containing tobacco, electronic cigarettes and any other devices of that nature that are put to one's mouth to inhale any substance that may or may not contain nicotine, including their components and accessories, and any other product or class of product considered to be tobacco under a government regulation;

2.3 "**Campus**" means any area of the College or under its responsibility, indoor or outdoor, including, without limitation, any of its premises, buildings or grounds, sports fields, residence, bus, etc.

3. RESTRICTIONS

3.1 Except in the specified designated area(s) described in Schedule A attached hereto, the use of Tobacco Products by any Person anywhere on Campus is strictly prohibited.

3.2 The sale or promotion of Tobacco Products on Campus is strictly prohibited.

3.3 Persons on Campus must respect all notices and signage relating to the application of this Policy.

3.4 A violation of this Policy is an offence subject to administrative and/or disciplinary measures, in accordance with the relevant collective agreement, College policy or applicable legislation. The College shall have the right to refer any violation to the competent authorities.

4. SUPPORT AND HEALTH PROMOTION

4.1 The College's Health and Wellness Centre is available to offer support, guidance and referrals to Persons wishing to quit using Tobacco Products; the Centre also promotes existing quit services and programs.

4.2 The College supports the promotion of a tobacco free lifestyle; it supports internal initiatives and promotes existing prevention campaigns.

5. POLICY REPORT

5.1 The Director General shall report to the Board of Governors, every two (2) years, on the application of this Policy. The College shall send the report to the Minister within sixty (60) days of filing it with the Board of Governors.

6. RESPONSIBILITY FOR APPLYING THIS POLICY

6.1 The Director of Facilities Management and Information Technology Services is responsible for the application of this Policy, with the assistance of other College departments (Student Services, Communications, Data Mining, etc.), as needed.

7. EFFECTIVE DATE

7.1 This Policy will come into effect when enacted.

SCHEDULE A

DESIGNATED AREA(S)

Designated area(s) shall be determined and revised by the officers of the College and attached to this Policy for information, without the requirement of a policy amendment by the Board of Governors.

Designated Area(s) as of January 1, 2022

None

Designated Area(s) as of August 1, 2021 and prior to January 1, 2022

1. South of Stewart Apartments on the island

Designated Area(s) prior to August 1, 2021

1. West of Casgrain, along part of the path between Brittain Hall and Casgrain
2. East of Stewart Hall, near the FMS storage sheds where the picnic table is currently located
3. South of Stewart Apartments on the island
4. South-West of memorial field (seasonal) – this is to provide an area that is not at the field but not too far for those who are here on weekends for games in the non winter months. No snow clearing will occur here in the winter.