
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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The Smoke-free (Exemptions, Vehicles, Penalties and Discounted Amounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007

PART 2

EXEMPTIONS

Research and testing facilities

10.—(1) A designated room in a research or testing facility is not smoke-free whilst it is being used for any research or tests specified in paragraph (2).

(2) The research or tests that are specified are those that relate to—

- (a) emissions from tobacco and other products used for smoking;
- (b) development of products for smoking with lower fire hazard;
- (c) the fire safety testing of materials involving products for smoking;
- (d) development of smoking or pharmaceutical products that could result in the manufacture of less dangerous products for smoking; or
- (e) smoking cessation programmes.

(3) In this regulation “designated room” means a room which—

- (a) has been designated in writing by the person in charge of the research or testing facility in which the room is situated as being a room in which smoking is permitted for research or tests specified in paragraph (2) and is a room for the use only of the persons who are required to supervise or participate in the research or tests;
- (b) has a ceiling and, except for doors and windows, is completely enclosed on all sides by solid, floor-to-ceiling walls;
- (c) does not have a ventilation system that ventilates into any other part of the premises (except any other designated room) or other premises;
- (d) does not have any door that opens onto smoke-free premises which is not mechanically closed immediately after use; and
- (e) is clearly marked as a room in which smoking is permitted.