

Ministry of Health and Population

Decree No. 79 of 2021

The Minister of Health and Population

After reviewing Law No. 52 of 1981 regarding Protection from the Harm of Smoking, amended by Law No. 85 of 2002 and Law No. 154 of 2007;

And Decree No. 242 of 1996 by the President of the Republic regarding the organization of the Ministry of Health and Population;

And the implementing regulation of the aforementioned Law No. 52 of 1981 issued by Ministerial Decree No. 291 of 2010, amended by Ministerial Decree No. 447 of 2011;

And the approval of the Council of Ministers at its session held of 27 JAN 2021;

has decreed

(Article 1)

The following text replaces the text of Article (1) items (B and C) of the Implementing Regulation of the aforementioned Law of Protection from the Harm of Smoking, with the reordering of the items of this article to be (A, B, C, and D):

(B.) Cigarettes:

- 1. Traditional cigarettes:** A tobacco product prepared for smoking, specifically finely cut tobacco wrapped in a paper cigarette wrapper to be suitable for smoking directly by lighting or burning the tobacco.
- 2. Heated tobacco:** A product made from raw tobacco, either with or without adding other ingredients, which is heated without burning or igniting it, by means of a heating device. This tobacco may be in the form of cigarettes, capsules, or any other forms.

3. E-cigarettes: A product that provides smokers with a vapor that is inhaled through electric heating of the liquid (the electronic liquid) inside the product or in a replaceable cartridge. E-cigarettes differ from tobacco products in that they do not contain tobacco.

(Article 2)

The provisions mentioned in the text of Article 3 of the aforementioned Law of Protection from the Harm of Smoking apply to heated tobacco and e-cigarettes.

(Article 3)

This decree shall be published in Egyptian Affairs, and it shall become effective as of the day after the date of its publication.

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