

FLAVORED TOBACCO SALES ARE PROHIBITED

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What are the laws on retail sales of flavored tobacco products?

A flavored tobacco product is any tobacco product that has a distinguishable taste or smell other than the taste or smell of tobacco. These flavors, or unique tastes and smells, include but are not limited to: menthol, mint, wintergreen, fruit, chocolate, vanilla, honey, cocoa, dessert, alcoholic beverages, herb or spice.

Tobacco products like blue ice little cigars, tropical smash cigarillos, grape shisha or mint pods for e-cigarettes are flavored tobacco products because they have a distinguishable taste or smell other than the taste or smell of tobacco. Tobacco products that are tobacco-flavored, such as tobacco-flavored cigarettes, shisha, e-juice, and cigars, are allowed to be sold.

May a retailer sell flavored liquids that do not contain nicotine or tobacco?

No, retailers may not sell flavored liquids intended for electronic smoking devices. The law does not allow the sale of flavor in any form that can be mixed with or added to any tobacco product or electronic smoking device.

What is a flavored tobacco product?

Retailers may not sell any flavored tobacco or flavored tobacco products. These products include, but are not limited to: menthol cigarettes, little cigars, cigarillos, shisha (hookah tobacco), and flavored e-juice and pods meant for electronic smoking devices.

For more information, please contact:

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EXAMPLES OF RESTRICTED TOBACCO PRODUCTS



Menthol Cigarettes

(e.g., Newport Menthol, KOOL Blue)



Flavored Smokeless Tobacco

(e.g., SKOAL Wintergreen)



Flavored e-juice/pods

(e.g., JUUL Menthol, Blu liquid Blueberry, Vuse Solo Melon)



Flavored Little Cigars/Cigarillos

(e.g., Swisher Sweets Grape)



Flavored Wraps

(e.g., Backwoods Honey, High Hemp Bare Berry, Zig-Zag Orange)



Concept Flavors

(e.g., Unicorn Milk Ice, Tropical Mix)

ALLOWED TO BE SOLD



Tobacco-flavored Cigarettes/Cigarillos



Tobacco-flavored e-juice/pods

*Product examples and images are shown for educational purposes only.