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## Vape Expo NJ (VENJ) - Membership Bylaws and Rules of Conduct

Vape Expo NJ is a private educational group. All attendees must purchase a membership into Vape Expo NJ private educational group, and sign and agree to all terms and bylaws set forth, in order to enter and participate in Vape Expo NJ's New Jersey Convention Center event.

### Definitions/ abbreviations of below agreement may include:

- Vape Expo NJ (hereinafter "VENJ")
  - The New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center, New Carsun Hills, and The Garden State Buildings, LP ((hereinafter "NJCEC")
  - Vaping is defined as to inhale and exhale the vapor produced by an electronic cigarette or similar device)
- 1) A VENJ educational group membership includes a ticket to the **Vape Expo NJ** at the NJ Convention Center and login access to the VENJ website to stay informed with up to date regulations, vendor promotions and details of future events
    - a. This Membership is for electronic smoking device and vaping industry education and event meeting access, as well as the above.
    - b. By joining and participating in Vape Expo NJ, members agree to indemnify all officers, co-owners, property managers and employees of VENJ, and the New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center against ALL legal action arising from the side effects and addictions associated with vaping paraphernalia and nicotine usage.
    - c. It is recommended by VENJ that all members please consult their physician for a pre-existing health condition or disease which might be affected by nicotine or vaping before joining VENJ. This includes people with or at risk of: heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, kidney disease, lung disease or internal disorders, heart-attack or stroke patients and ALL OTHER DISEASE AND HEALTH CONDITIONS - known, unknown or otherwise.
  - 2) All members must be 19 years of age or older to join and attend. Your ID will be checked during membership pick-up/purchase on site and at entry to the Expo. Underage admittance is prohibited. No refunds will be made if underage person(s) purchased tickets with a fake ID, unauthorized paperwork or knowingly purchased tickets online, without being 19 years old.
  - 3) Cigarette usage, illegal drug consumption or use of drug paraphernalia is strictly prohibited. If any member at any time is found using a traditional cigarette or using illegal drugs at the NJCEC property (inside and outside parking lot) or other VENJ meeting places, That member will be banned from that meeting or Expo and have their membership revoked with no refund.

- 4) All members understand that during VENJ events they will be exposed to an environment where a large amount of vaping will be occurring. Some if not all of the vaping happening during the event could contain nicotine.
- 5) All members understand that the FDA has not evaluated any e-cigarettes for safety or effectiveness. And understand that Nicotine is addictive and habit forming and it is very toxic by inhalation, in contact with the skin or swallowed. Nicotine can increase your heart rate and blood pressure and can cause dizziness, nausea, and stomach pain. Inhalation of any product may aggravate existing respiratory conditions. Ingestion of the non-vaporized concentrated ingredients in some of the shows cartridges can be poisonous. Attendees accept these and ALL other risk and liabilities associated with E- Cigarettes and the products in the Vape Expo NJ Show floor.
- 6) All members are hereby warned of the dangers of nicotine and promise to responsibly follow safe practices. Therefore members understand that:
  - a. Misuse or overdose of a nicotine product is solely the responsibility of the attending member and will in no-way hold accountable VENJ, NJCEC, other members, attending vendors or its affiliates accountable.
  - b. Nicotine is addictive and habit forming.
  - c. Nicotine can be harmful and should always be kept away from all children and pets.
  - d. Nicotine should never be used by pregnant women or nursing mothers
- 7) According to California's Prop. 65, both the mainstream and secondhand e-cigarette aerosol have been found to contain at least ten chemicals that are on a list of chemicals known to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive difficulties. For more information on the dangers of nicotine products please visit: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)
- 8) Membership is only valid from June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015- Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015
- 9) Before each VENJ event, members will have to fill out this agreement or a new agreement created by VENJ and their associate partners. New Agreements will give an update on new membership rules and regulations. ALL TERMS WILL BE POSTED ON THE VENJ WEBSITE. All paperwork and signature will be kept on file with VENJ offices.
- 10) By signing this agreement you shall indemnify, and hold harmless, VENJ, The New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center, New Carsun Hills, and The Garden State Buildings, LP, and/or their board of directors, partners, officers, agents and employees from, any claims, liability, damage, health issues, expenses, actions and judgments recovered from the Vape Expo NJ being held on July 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Furthermore the above is not liable for:

- a. Any injury, health concerns or death of any persons on or off site before, during or after the event
- b. Side effects and addictions associated with vaping paraphernalia and nicotine usage.
- c. Membership is open only to those who abide to these bylaws and rules of conduct.

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*By signing this agreement you are agreeing to all the terms and bylaws set forth. This will intern make you a member of Vape Expo NJ educational group. This group is composed of a group with like-minded desire to be educated on safe procedures and practices of electronic smoking device consumption, distribution and sales.*

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Print Name

Today's Date

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Signature