

Trading Standards Service

ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMME FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS 2018/19

The Service will:

- Use an 'intelligence led' approach to achieve compliance with statutory controls and to respond to complaints alleging the illegal sale of tobacco products to young persons.
- Allied to other enforcement activities, in particular other statutory controls for underage sales, undertake checks for compliance.
- Work in partnership with other enforcement agencies to tackle the problem of underage sales, and of counterfeit and smuggled tobacco products.
- Monitor the display of statutory notices, the restrictions on the display for sale of tobacco products, the plain packaging requirements and the labelling of products, as part of the Trading Standards Service's broader inspection work at retail premises.
- Promote through the media and by other means, information about controls and penalties.
- Liaise with other agencies to help identify problem areas or businesses in order to better target resources.
- Deal with alleged offences in accordance with the Trading Standards Service's Enforcement Policy, including putting matters before the Courts where appropriate.