



Vapor Awareness Chapter Guidelines

Vapor Awareness supports ending the bans, educating the public, and opposes the practice of fining/ticketing otherwise law-abiding citizens who use Electronic Cigarettes. Vapor Awareness' goals are more fully explained on our web site (www.vaporawareness.org).

Vapor Awareness wishes to affiliate and work cooperatively with local and statewide organizations that share our passion and goals. The following guidelines indicate the criteria that an organization or individuals must meet to qualify for affiliation with Vapor Awareness, including the use of "Vapor Awareness" in the affiliate's name.

1. The group applying for affiliation must include at least 5 current Vapor Awareness members.
 - a. Once an organization/group of individuals is officially recognized as a Vapor Awareness affiliate:
 - i. Any individual who joins a state or local affiliate of Vapor Awareness for \$10 or more will receive a free one-year membership to national Vapor Awareness.
 - ii. Any student who joins a campus chapter for \$5 or more will receive a free one-year membership to national Vapor Awareness.
2. Applicant group if campus based student chapter, must comply with all college or university requirements for campus organizations, and must seek official recognition from the college or university.
3. The group must agree to conduct organization business in a manner prescribed by state law for non-profit organizations, including holding regular board meetings, the keeping of board minutes, and the holding of regular elections as required in the bylaws. Affiliates will be required to send an end of the year report including all of the aforementioned materials.
4. The group must agree to pursue programs intended to educate the public: lobby local, state and federal officials; or otherwise build support for ending the legal bans and fines, and educating on the use of Electronic Cigarettes.
5. The group must agree to operate in a professional manner and to avoid activities that would bring disrepute or otherwise harm Vapor Awareness and its reform efforts.
6. After a two-month grace period, every state affiliate is required to host at least one fundraising event annually (i.e. concert, party, etc.) co-sponsored by local or state "Vapor Friendly" businesses, whereby the proceeds will be used to fund Vapor Awareness. Vapor Awareness will provide assistance promoting the event through our e-mail and mailing lists. Campus chapters, while not required to comply with this rule, are strongly encouraged to do so.

Chapter Revocation Procedure:

Vapor Awareness reserves the right to revoke the affiliation status of any group, organization or individual that fails to operate in accordance with these guidelines. In order for a chapter's affiliate status to be revoked, it must receive one formal warning, in writing, detailing which guidelines they fail to comply with and what can be done to remedy the situation. If two months after the warning has been issued the affiliate still is not in compliance, their status as an official Vapor Awareness affiliate may be revoked by a vote of the Vapor Awareness Board of Directors.