Parents & Carers guide to spotting an illegal vape

It is illegal for retailers to see vapes to anyone under 18. There are also strict requirements for vapes that retailers are allowed to sell within the UK legally.

The below are things to check:

Tank Size

- The maximum tank size for a disposable vape is 2ml.
 This is equivalent to 600 puffs.
- The maximum size for refill e-liquid containers is 10ml.

Nicotine content

The maximum nicotine content allowed for a vape is 20mg/ml (2%).

Other legal requirements

Health warnings must cover 30% of the front and back of the pack. The health warning must read:

THIS PRODUCT CONTAINS NICOTINE WHICH IS A HIGHLY ADDICTIVE SUBSTANCE

- Any variation of this wording is not allowed.
- There should be a recommendation on the packaging to keep the product out of reach of children.
- The ingredients contained within the vape liquid should be displayed on the packaging.
- There should be a batch number and manufacturer or importer name and contact details located on the packaging.
- Rechargeable vapes should bear the CE mark or UKCA mark.



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If you find what you believe to be an illegal vape or if you are made aware of a retailer who is selling vapes to children contact trading standards by calling **01635 519930** or email **tsadvice@westberks.gov.uk**

