

Tina Kotek, Governor

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To: Interested Parties

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Subject: Notice of Proposed Permanent Rulemaking for OAR chapter 333, division 15 – Synthetic nicotine products

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Public Health Division is proposing to permanently amend Oregon Administrative Rules in chapter 333, division 15 pertaining to synthetic nicotine products.

In this rulemaking, amendments are proposed to update certain definitions to align with recent statutory changes to ORS 431A.175 due to the passage of [SB 1571](#) (Oregon Laws 2026, chapter 94).

For more details, including a description of each rule's proposed changes, please see the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, including the Statement of Need and Fiscal and Racial Equity Impacts, and the full text of the proposed rules at <http://www.healthoregon.org/tobaccoretailsales>.

You are invited to review and comment on the proposed rules. There are two (2) options to provide comment:

- 1) You may provide oral (spoken) testimony during a public hearing scheduled on **Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at 10:00 A.M. Pacific Time** via video/phone conference using Microsoft Teams.
 - To provide oral testimony during this hearing:

- Join using the [Meeting URL](#). You can also find the join link for the meeting in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking under “Remote Meeting Details” using the “Meeting URL.”
- You may also contact the Public Health Division Rules Coordinator at publichealth.rules@odhsoha.oregon.gov to sign-up to give oral testimony and receive the link for the Microsoft Teams video conference via calendar appointment.
- To join the hearing via phone (audio/listen only), you may dial 971-277-2343, phone conference ID 716 719 238#

2) Written comments may be submitted **before 5:00 P.M. Pacific Time on May 21, 2026:**

- Email comments to: publichealth.rules@odhsoha.oregon.gov
- Mail comments* to: OHA - Public Health Division
Brittany Hall, Administrative Rules Coordinator
800 NE Oregon St. Suite 930
Portland, OR 97232

*Comments sent by regular mail must be postmarked by 5:00 P.M. Pacific Time on May 21, 2026.

- Send comments by fax to 971-673-1299

Final rules will be filed after consideration of all comments.

If you have questions or would like a paper copy of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, please contact Tara Weston at tara.e.weston@oha.oregon.gov.

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