The Direction of the Ecole polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne, based on the Federal Ordinance on protection against passive smoking Ordonnance sur la protection contre le tabagisme passif (OPTP), hereby adopts the following:

Article 1  Subject and scope of application
Smoking is prohibited in EPFL premises. This includes the use of electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) and is applicable to all EPFL premises.

Article 2  Objective
The objective of the present directive is to protect non-smokers from the effects of passive smoking and to avoid all other risks relating to the action of smoking.

Article 3  Validity
The present directive applies to all persons in EPFL premises.

Article 4  Protection of non-smokers
Smoking is prohibited in all EPFL premises.

Article 5  Penalties
1 In case of breach of this Directive, EPFL staff members may be subject to disciplinary sanctions according to art. 58a of the Ordonnance du Conseil des EPF sur le personnel du domaine des écoles polytechniques fédérales (LEX 4.1.0.4) and students to sanctions by virtue of the Ordonnance de l’École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne sur les mesures disciplinaires (LEX 2.4.0.2).
2 The heads of the unit concerned and, where appropriate, their superiors, are in charge of processing and settling any dispute. If a student is concerned by the dispute, the Associate Vice Presidency for Student Affairs and Outreach is the competent authority for its management and settlement.
3 In case of violation of the present directive by visitors, they are liable to be reported to the criminal authorities. The Department of Security, Safety and Facilities Operations (DSE) is competent in this matter.

Article 6  Entry into force
The present directive entered into force on 31st May 2004 (version 1), and was revised on 1st January 2016 (version 1.2), on 1st January 2017 (version 1.3), on 13th April 2018 (version 1.4), on 15th March 2021 (version 1.5) and on 11th April 2023 (version 1.6)

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