

## Vapes & Under 18s It's a Crime to buy for them

Alert 4.5

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Bromley Trading Standards has seen an increase in reports about children accessing vapes and other nicotine inhaling products. These include allegations that adults are being asked to buy them on children's behalf.

It's illegal for shops to sell them to under 18s.

**However, if adults buy - or attempt to buy - them for a child, they themselves commit a criminal offence.**

The guidance available to traders on the law and how to ensure children aren't obtaining nicotine inhaling products, as well as tobacco, is at [Trading Standards Institute Advice | Tobacco and nicotine inhaling products | London Borough of Bromley](#)

**If you see or hear of children accessing these products, please let us know:**

**REPORT** - Protect others by reporting incidents.

< **Contact Citizens Advice** on 0808 223 1133 or

< Email [tradingstandards@bromley.gov.uk](mailto:tradingstandards@bromley.gov.uk)

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