

Age Restrictions

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Restricted products in stores:

- All tobacco products
- Alcohol
- Fireworks and sparklers
- National Lottery and the Health Lottery
- Newspapers/magazines with any 18/R18 videos/games attached
- Crossbows
- 18/R18 rated videos (DVDs/Blu-Ray/streaming videos)
- Cigarette lighter refills, butane
- e-Cigarettes or e-Liquids
- PEGI 18-rated games
- Scratch cards
- Solvents, including glues and intoxicating substances
- Imitation firearms and air weapons
- Knives, axes, razor blades (except safety razors)

Restricted venues & services:

- Bars and pubs
- Cinema for movies rated 18
- Tattoo parlours
- Sunbeds
- Nightclubs
- Shisha lounges
- Betting shops
- Getting married
- Voting in the UK elections
- Adult entertainment stores
- Getting a credit card

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Restricted products in stores:

- Petrol, paraffin and liquefied petroleum gas
- Caps
- Party poppers, throw downs, cracker snaps
- Jumbo markers
- Pets and animals
- Novelty matches
- Serpents
- Aerosol spray paints
- PEGI 16 rated games
- Energy drinks

Restricted venues & services:

- Cinema for movies U-rated to 15-rated
- Full-time employment
- Most piercing salons
- Domestic flights

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Restricted products in stores:

- Newspapers/magazines with any 15 rated videos/games attached
- 15 rated videos (DVD/Blu-Ray discs/streaming videos)

Restricted venues & services:

- Cinema for movies U-rated to 15-rated
- Join British Army (15 years, 7 months)

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Restricted products in stores:

- Newspapers/magazines with any 12/12A rated videos/games attached
- Christmas crackers
- 12/12A rated videos (DVD/Blu-Ray discs/streaming videos)
- PEGI 12 rated games

Restricted venues & services:

- Cinema for movies U-rated to 12/12A-rated

Penalties vary depending upon the product and circumstances of the sale. A seller could receive a fixed penalty of £80 but for repeated sales could be a higher fine up to £5,000. They could also be banned from working in a tobacco shop for up to one year. The shop owner could receive a fine of up to £5,000 for the first offence but as high as £20,000 for repeated breaches, a criminal record and restrictions placed on any licences that they hold or intend to apply for. The licence holder could lose their licence to sell alcohol or fireworks, have the lottery terminal removed or be banned from selling tobacco products for up to one year.



If you have a petrol station on site, there are additional restrictions on the sale of anything that is flammable (including the petrol/diesel), explosive or oxidising. This can include many household goods, like cleaning products. In petrol stations these cannot be sold to customers under 16 years.

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SALE!**