

**POLICY FOR THE  
DISTRIBUTION OF  
TAX-EXEMPT TOBACCO  
PRODUCTS ON THE  
TYENDINAGA MOHAWK  
TERRITORY**

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<b>DATES OF COMPLETION AND REVISIONS</b>
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## **PREAMBLE**

*Since the inception of the tobacco quota by the Minister of Revenue for the Province of Ontario, Native people have consistently argued that the process is discriminatory. Although the First Nations disagreed with the implementation of a tobacco quota, the system was placed in effect.*

*Problems caused by the tobacco quota are now with the Native Communities. Many of the controversial issues are viewed as an infringement of Aboriginal and Treaty Rights in First Nations Communities and in order to overcome these difficulties, the Communities have had to develop mechanisms that would deliver a more equitable system regarding the distribution and sale of tax exempt tobacco products.*

*Other Communities, like Six Nations, have decided to battle the Ministry of Revenue that imposed the tobacco quota.*

*Communities must now contend with the tobacco quota and the concerns that arise with it. The Tyendinaga Mohawk Council has developed a policy, which they hope will address these concerns.*