## E-Cigarettes (Vapes) **The Facts**

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In recent years, e-cigarettes have become a very popular **stop smoking aid** in the UK. Also known as vapes or e-cigs, they're far less harmful than cigarettes and **can help you quit smoking for good**.

#### What are e-cigarettes?

An e-cigarette is a device for inhaling 'vapour' (an aerosol) that usually contains nicotine. It is also known as a vaping device. There are different types and designs of e-cigarettes: some look similar to tobacco cigarettes, while others have a pen-like shape, or a tank-style shape with a mouthpiece.



#### What do e-cigarettes contain & how do they work?

Unlike normal cigarettes, e-cigarettes don't contain tobacco. E-cigarettes contain a battery, a heater and e-liquid. The e-liquid usually consists of nicotine dissolved in propylene glycol or glycerine and added flavourings. Heating the e-liquid produces the 'vapour', which delivers nicotine into your body when inhaled.

#### Will e-cigarettes help me quit smoking?

At the beginning of 2019 a research team, led by Professor Peter Hajek of Queen Mary University of London, published the results of a randomised trial that showed not just that e-cigarettes were helpful in quit attempts, but that they were almost twice as effective as the 'gold standard' combination of nicotine replacement products they were compared with.



## Facts at a Glance

Research into the impact of e-cigarettes (vapes) & e-liquid shows:

#### Vaping is 95% less harmful than smoking

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A typical vaper has **97% less cancer** causing chemicals than a typical smoker



E-cigarettes are **twice as effective as Nicotine Replacement Therapies** 



Second-hand **vapour does NOT harm those around you** 

Vaping doubles the chance of you successfully quitting smoking

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Vaping helps 20,000 people quit smoking every year.



If you use an e-cigarette alongside expert support from your local **FREE Stop for Life Oxon service**, you'll increase your chances of successfully quitting smoking Stopfor X ON Call free on 0800 122 3790

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### With the help of Stop for Life Oxon, you're much more likely to quit for good

Thousands of people have successfully quit smoking with the help of Stop for Life Oxon smoking service, and we can help you too



Stop for Life Oxon are a team of trained health coaches who can give you FREE expert advice and support to quit smoking for good.

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