

Classification and diagnostic criteria of passive smoking illness by the Japan Society for Tobacco Control.

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exacerbated, recurred or
relapsed are also included.

Preamble: For non-smokers, passive smoking referred to as second hand smoking is considered. From passive smoking, the smell or stench of tobacco smoke occurs. Pathology caused by the use of electronic cigarettes (nicotine vaporizers), heat-not-burn tobacco, and other new types of tobacco; and illnesses from passive smoking are also included. Next, patients who contracted specific diseases due to exposure to passive smoking and cases of illness from passive smoking in which symptoms were

Concerning classification of illnesses and diagnostic criteria from passive smoking, the policy formulated in 2005 by the Japan Society for Tobacco Control, and the Diagnostic Criteria Committee of Japan Medical-Dental Association for Tobacco Control was completely revised in October 2016 by the Japan Society for Tobacco Control.

| | diagnosis | symptoms and diseases |
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| level 0 Normal | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ For non-smokers, no chances of exposure to passive smoking | none |
| level 1 No acute symptoms of illness from passive smoking | No symptoms indicating a clinical history of acute exposure to tobacco smoke. | none |
| level 2 No chronic symptoms of illness from passive smoking | No symptoms from being chronically exposed to tobacco smoke. | none |
| level 3 Acute (recurrent) illness from passive smoking | <p>Symptoms started (were exacerbated) after passive smoking exposure started (increased).</p> <p>Symptoms of illness from passive smoking stop (decrease) when passive smoking is eliminated (is reduced).</p> | <p>Symptoms are eliminated (are stabilized) in the long term without passive smoking. Dizziness, nausea, fatigue, watery eyes, conjunctivitis, rhinitis (nasal inflammation), coughing, pharyngitis (sore</p> |

throat), bronchitis,
rash, headache,

angina pectoris (chest pain), atrial
fibrillation (irregular heartbeat), transient

ischemic (heart) attack, poor
health, depression, et cetera

level 4
Chronic (recurrent)
illness from passive
smoking

Acute illnesses from passive smoking
repeatedly occur, and the duration of
passive smoking exposure becomes
excessive, resulting in a continuation of
symptoms and illnesses.

Tobacco allergies, chemical
substance hypersensitivity
syndrome, atopic dermatitis,
bronchial asthma, diabetes
(mellitus), metabolic syndrome
(ex., blood pressure), atrial
fibrillation, myocardial
infarction, cerebral infarction
(stroke), COPD, spontaneous
pneumothorax (collapsed lung),
pulmonary tuberculosis,
Alzheimer's disease,
pneumonia in childhood,
sinusitis, otitis media, asthma,
physical developmental
disorder, attention deficit
hyperactivity disorder (ADHD),
infant food allergy, pneumonia,
et cetera

level 5
Severe illness from
passive smoking

During the course of acute/chronic illness
from passive smoking, a fatal pathology or
another combined severe disorder results

Malignant tumors (especially
lung cancer, laryngeal cancer,
sinus cancer, cervical cancer,
et cetera), sudden Infant death
syndrome, subarachnoid
hemorrhage, cerebral
hemorrhage, cerebral infarction
(stroke), myocardial infarction,
sudden cardiac death, COPD,
et cetera