

Brooklyn Center, Otter Tail Co. raise tobacco sales age to 21

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(KMSP) - On Tuesday, both Brooklyn Center and Otter Tail County voted to raise the tobacco sales age to 21.

This marks Minnesota's 16th and 17th local governments to pass the change, according to a news release.

Otter Tail County is the first Minnesota county to adopt Tobacco 21. Brooklyn Center joins Edina, St. Louis Park, Bloomington, Plymouth, North Mankato, Shoreview, Falcon Heights, Minneapolis, St. Peter, Richfield, Roseville, Minnetonka, Excelsior, Lauderdale and Hermantown as Minnesota's first Tobacco 21 cities.

Brooklyn Center also passed a policy that restricts the sale of e-cigarettes to adult-only tobacco stores. The final vote was unanimous and the policy is set to start on Dec. 21.

The final vote in Otter Tail County was unanimous, and the policy is set to start in January.