

Questions about rules and regulations.

- 1. What are some rules at your workplace? Which rules do you (dis)agree with? Can you think of a new rule you would like to have at your workplace? Is there a rule you hate?**

As far as I'm concerned, you are **not allowed to** smoke inside the buildings at my workplace. **In fact**, you can't even smoke close to the building, so you have to walk around the corner if you want to go for a cigarette.

If I could make a new rule, **I would** make it **compulsory** to leave your phone on the table far away from **your reach** to avoid using it.

- 2. What would happen if we didn't have rules, for example, at school? In society?**

Well, I think if we didn't have rules, society would not exist. People would not **behave** properly in some cases and **hell would break loose** over the simplest of situations.

- 3. What is your opinion on uniforms?**

If you ask me, uniforms are a way to identify as a member of a specific group of people or an institution. **In spite of this**, I don't think it should be compulsory to wear a uniform in the workplace, **since** it can make people uncomfortable or even embarrassed, depending on the uniform they have to wear.

- 4. What rule would you like to make?**

Oh, well, If I could, I would make it **obligatory** for people to stop smoking in public places, **given that** it can be very **tedious** to sit at a bar terrace and have someone beside you smoking.

- 5. What's your opinion on the legal age to vote in Spain?**

As far as I'm concerned, the legal age to vote in Spain is quite correct, **even if** some people are not mature enough to make informed decisions concerning politics. **Nevertheless**, increasing the minimum age would affect some people who are already prepared to use their reasoning **in order to** elect the political leaders of the country.

- 6. Does everyone in society follow the same rules?**

From my point of view, not everyone in society follows the same rules and it is because **money always talks**. People who have more money are **more likely** to avoid jail time and can pay fines easier than people **whose** income is lower.

- 7. What are some rules for driving? A sports event? A doctor's office?**

When it comes to driving, the most important rule to **take into consideration** is respecting the traffic signals. Stopping at red lights and allowing pedestrians to walk through the crosswalks are some examples. At an sports event, **you must** have all your water bottles uncapped and at the doctor's office, **you must** wait for your turn.

8. Unwritten rules for a wedding? Meeting a person you like?

There are plenty of unwritten rules for a wedding but, above all, you should respect the groom and the bride and be polite to people who **attend** the event. Moreover, **you should not** wear a white dress and it is advisable to **cut down** on the **alcohol intake** to avoid **awkward** situations.

9. In the US people can get married at 16, vote at 18 and drink alcohol when they are 21. Do you think this makes sense? Discuss

To me, it makes no sense to allow people to drive before they are responsible **enough** to vote. **This is due to the fact that** a car can be difficult to operate and putting that responsibility on teenagers can be **quite** intimidating.

10. What are the rules and regulations about smoking in public places in Spain?

In Spain, **you can't** smoke inside public buildings. In fact, you shouldn't even smoke in some private buildings if the owner doesn't tell **otherwise**, like houses and apartment buildings.

11. At what time should teenagers get home in the evenings?

It depends on their age and the place where they live. If they live in a big city with **loads of** dangerous places and the risk of something bad happening to them **past a certain hour**, they should be home earlier than if they live in a **quiet, not very busy** town in which everyone knows each other and the risks are lower.