

A smoking article comprises a tobacco rod and a filter connected to the tobacco rod. The filter comprises a first filter segment and a hollow tube segment downstream of the first filter segment. The hollow tube segment defines a cavity at the mouth end of the filter providing an unrestricted flow channel that extends from the downstream end of the first filter segment to the mouth end of the filter. The length of the hollow tube segment is at least about (25) percent and less than about (50) percent of the overall filler length. Further, the smoking article comprises a ventilation zone in communication with the cavity at a location along the hollow tube segment.