

WHAT IS SMOKE?



Smoke or smoking means and includes any of the following:

1. The direct burning or indirect heating of any cigar, cigarette, pipe, electronic smoking device, or any similar kind of smoking equipment or article, using any form of tobacco, plant product, or other combustible substance in any form, or
2. The holding or carrying of a lighted or operated cigar, cigarette, pipe, electronic smoking device, or any other lighted smoking equipment or device, or
3. Emitting or exhaling the smoke directly from a cigar, cigarette, pipe, electronic smoking device, or any other lighted smoking equipment or device.

WHAT IS A MULTI-UNIT RESIDENCE?

A residential property that contains two (2) or more units rented or available to be rented and not occupied by a landlord of the premises. This does not include condominiums, mobile home parks, hotels or motels. The following types of housing are specifically excluded from this definition:

- A single-family home; a detached or attached accessory dwelling unit on a single-family zoned property; a hotel; and a mixed hotel/common interest development project.

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SMOKE-FREE HOUSING

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



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Smoking Prohibited in Multi-Unit Residences

It is unlawful for any person to smoke in any multi-unit residence, including in a unit or common area of the multi-unit residence, unless in a designated smoking area.



Designated Smoking Area

The landlord or manager of a multi-unit residence may designate a smoking area where smoking is allowed. The designated area must:



Not be in an **enclosed area**



Be located at **least twenty-five (25) feet** from any enclosed area



Be at least twenty-five (25) feet from **play or recreation areas** including, designated swimming areas



Be no more than **twenty-five (25) percent of the total outdoor area** of the multi-unit residence property



Have a **clearly marked perimeter**



Be identified by **clearly-marked signs**



Not overlap with any area in which smoking is otherwise prohibited



Posting of Signs Required

“No Smoking” or “Smoke Free” signs shall be clearly posted by the landlord, operator, manager, or other persons having control of such room, building, or other place where smoking is prohibited.



Required Lease Terms for All Units in Rental Complexes

Prior to the effective date of a new lease, or of an amendment that extends the term, a landlord shall provide each tenant and prospective tenant in a rental complex with:

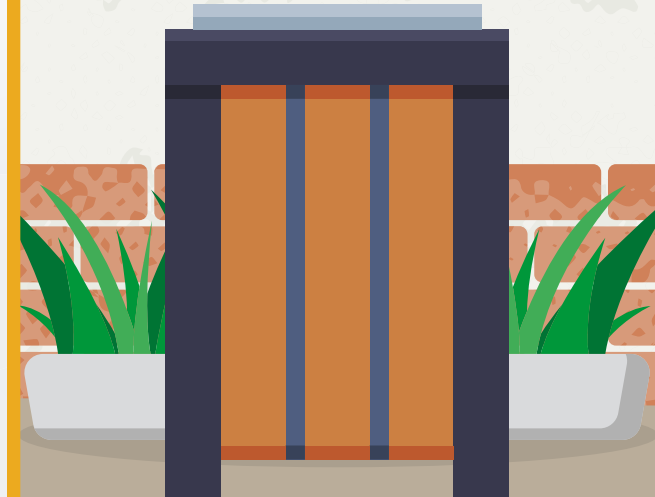
1. A **written notice** clearly stating that as of July 28, 2022, smoking is prohibited in the rental complex, including but not limited to within the unit and all common areas

Every lease or other rental agreement for the occupancy of a unit in a rental complex entered into, renewed, or continued month-to-month after July 28, 2022, **shall include, or be amended to include provisions.**



Private Enforcement

Any person, including a legal entity, organization, or a government agency, acting for the interests of itself, its members, or the general public, may bring a **civil action** against any person violating the provisions.



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