



City of Beaumont Public Health Department
Environmental Health Division
950 Washington Boulevard, Beaumont, Texas 77705
phone: (409) 832-7463, fax: (409) 212-9589

PROCEDURES FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE NO-SMOKING ORDINANCE

1. Violations of the no-smoking ordinance will be enforced during regular inspections, resulting from a complaint or after hours. A citation will be issued to violators on the first offense.
2. A citation will be issued to the person smoking in prohibited areas. It is deemed a violation of the ordinance for a person to smoke within 25 feet of a main entrance or window.
3. A citation will be issued to the person in charge, manager or owner of an establishment or business for allowing a person or persons to smoke in an area where no smoking is allowed.
4. A citation will be issued to the person in charge, manager or owner for not posting the required no-smoking sign in a conspicuous place stating that smoking is prohibited at each entrance of a business or food establishment.
5. It is deemed a violation of the ordinance and a citation will be issued if an ashtray or other smoking accessory is found in an establishment or building where smoking is prohibited or within 25 feet of entrances or windows.
6. It is deemed a violation of the ordinance and a citation will be issued if ashes, cigarette or cigar butts or other smoking accessories are present in a business or establishment, in garbage cans, cups, cans or bottles or other items that constitute an area to extinguish cigars, cigarettes or hold ashes, inside of a building or business where smoking is prohibited.
7. To receive exempt status, one must meet Article II Exceptions and Section 4-9 General Exceptions of the No-Smoking Ordinance. An application with proof meeting the criteria for the exceptions rule must be attached for approval and definitions for such met. We reserve the right to inspect records relating to exemptions regarding private clubs and fraternal organizations. This includes, but is not limited to, lists of members, minutes of board meetings or any other information that is deemed pertinent to the no-smoking ordinance.

These procedures are instructive and not all inclusive.