

NEW ORDINANCE

The San Rafael City Council adopted an ordinance regulating secondhand smoke by prohibiting smoking in duplex and multi-unit residences and certain outdoor areas. The ordinance goes into effect on November 14, 2012 to limit public exposure to secondhand smoke in public and common areas and November 14, 2013 for Multi-Unit Residences with two (2) or more units.

This pamphlet provides an overview of the ordinance and compliance duties.

FILING A COMPLAINT

By phone or mail with the Marin County Tobacco Disease Control Program, 10 North San Pedro Road, Suite 1015, San Rafael, CA 94903, Phone: 415.473.3020

Online at www.smokefreemarin.com

SAN RAFAEL CLEAN

- Cigarettes are the number one item picked up on Coastal Cleanup day.
- An estimated 4.5 trillion cigarette butts are littered worldwide every year.
- Cigarette smoke contains up to 4,000 chemicals.
- Most cigarette filters are made of cellulose acetate and do not biodegrade.

For tips, resources and suggestions on how to keep our city clean from litter, visit:



www.sanrafaelclean.org

CITY OF SAN RAFAEL
1400 FIFTH AVE, PO BOX 151560
SAN RAFAEL, CA 94915-1560

BUSINESS NAME
STREET ADDRESS
CITY, ST ZIP CODE

Smoke-free San Rafael:

What you need to know
about San Rafael's new
smoking ordinance.

CITY OF SAN RAFAEL

www.cityofsanrafael.org/smokefree



This is an informational brochure only.
Please see San Rafael Municipal Code
Number 1908 for the ordinance in full.

WHERE SMOKING IS PROHIBITED

The ordinance prohibits smoking in the following places:

- Outdoor dining areas
- Sidewalks and plazas in Downtown
- Within 20 feet of entryways to buildings or other places where smoking is prohibited
- Public events, with the allowance of designated smoking areas
- Open space and recreation areas, such as parks, playgrounds, sports fields and courts, picnic areas, and dog parks
- Service areas (bus stops, ATM and ticket lines, San Rafael Transit Center)
- Within 20 feet of working construction crews
- Duplexes and multi-family residential units (apartments and condominiums) and indoor and outdoor common areas of such residential units, with the allowance of designated smoking areas
- 80% of hotel rooms

Other requirements of the ordinance include:

- Prohibition of littering smoking waste (i.e. cigarette butts) citywide
- Declaration of secondhand smoke in violation of the ordinance as a public nuisance
- Posting of signage where smoking is prohibited

TIPS TO AID COMPLIANCE

NON SMOKING BUFFER ZONES

- Post no smoking signs at building entrances to inform visitors that smoking is not allowed within 20 feet of doors, windows or vents or where food or drinks are served.
- Inform your employees, customers, clients and/or office building tenants of the updated smoke-free ordinance.
- Do not allow smoking of cigarettes, pipes, cigars, marijuana, hookah pipes, etc. anytime inside your workplace or in outdoor restricted areas.
- Any smoking within buffer areas can only occur while actively passing on the way to another destination- smoke cannot drift into open windows, doors, outdoor cafes, bars, bus shelters or lines.

DOWNTOWN

- Post no smoking signs at building entrances in Downtown stating that smoking is not allowed on sidewalks.
- Any smoking on sidewalks or other pedestrian areas, such as plazas, can only occur while actively passing on the way to another destination- smoke cannot drift into open windows, doors, outdoor cafes, bars, bus shelters or lines.

For assistance with compliance or no smoking decals, call 473-3020 or visit:

www.smokefreemarin.com

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DUPLEX AND MULTI-UNIT RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

- Post no smoking signs at building entrances stating that smoking is not allowed within 20 feet of doors, windows or vents.
- Notify residents that all indoor and outdoor common areas are smoke-free.
- As of November 14, 2013, 100% of units in properties of 2 units or more must be designated smoke-free (apartments and condominiums). Private decks, balconies, porches of units must be smoke-free at all times.

NO SMOKING DECALS

No smoking window decals (stickers, not signs) are available to businesses free of charge, while supplies last. Please contact the City of San Rafael at 485-3070.



MARIN CESSATION PROGRAMS

- Bay Area Community Resources in San Rafael: 415-755-2399.
- The California Smokers' Helpline provides free phone cessation services to California smokers at: 1-800-NO-BUTTS, www.nobutts.org