

SALT LAKE COUNTY
COUNTY-WIDE POLICY
ON
SMOKING IN COUNTY FACILITIES

Purpose –

Salt Lake County is genuinely concerned with the safety and well being of County employees. The intent of this policy is to foster the safety and health of all County employees, both smokers and nonsmokers, and to comply with the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act. Tobacco smoke or smoke from any other plant, in enclosed places, is harmful to the health of smokers and nonsmokers, especially those with allergies or respiratory or cardiovascular disease. Tobacco and non-tobacco smoke in enclosed places is also a public health nuisance and a cause of material annoyance, discomfort, and physical irritation to nonsmokers.

Reference –

Utah Indoor Clean Air Act (as may be amended).

1.0 Definitions

- 1.1 Public building – Any enclosed, indoor area which:
 - 1.1.1 is used by the general public, and/or
 - 1.1.2 is a place of employment; and
 - 1.1.3 includes, but is not limited to, elevators, rest rooms, cubicles, lobbies or waiting areas, hallways, training rooms, and indoor parking areas.
- 1.2 Public meeting- all meetings open to the public.
- 1.3 Smoking – includes, but is not limited to, carrying a lighted cigar, cigarette, pipe, or any other lighted smoking equipment.

2.0 Policy

- 2.1 All Salt Lake County buildings whether owned by the County or leased are public buildings. No person shall smoke in a County public building. Smoking is also prohibited at public meetings.
- 2.2 Individuals shall extinguish their smoking materials at ashtrays located within 25 feet of single door, or at the entrances to County facilities prior to entering that facility.
- 2.3 Smoking is prohibited in all vehicles owned by the County or leased for County use.

3.0 Enforcement

- 3.1 The County is responsible for primary enforcement of this policy.
- 3.2 In buildings where there are security personnel present (including the Government Center) the security personnel shall remind smokers entering and throughout the building that County buildings are public places, and smoking is not permitted.
- 3.3 Complaints for violations by County employees of the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act should be brought to the attention of that employee’s supervisor. The supervisor will determine the appropriate action to be taken.
- 3.4 Repeated violations of the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act as outlined for Salt Lake County in this policy are subject to legal action by the City/County Health Department in a court of appropriate jurisdiction. Employees may also be subject to disciplinary action.

APPROVED and PASSED this 20 day of December, 2000.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SALT LAKE COUNTY

Mark Shurtleff, Chair

ATTEST:

Sherrie Swensen, County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

District Attorney’s Office Date