Montana's Smokefree Indoor Air Law

The **Montana Clean Indoor Air Act** has protected children and adults from the negative health effects of secondhand smoke since 2005. The State of Montana recognizes that the need to breathe smokefree air has priority over the desire to smoke.



THE MONTANA CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT PROHIBITS USING SMOKABLE PRODUCTS INDOORS, INCLUDING:



MONTANA LAW PROHIBITS SMOKING IN INDOOR PUBLIC SPACES & WORKPLACES, SUCH AS:

Indoor Spaces

- K-12 public and private schools, universities, colleges, community colleges and trade schools in respect to MCA 20-1-220
- Trains, buses, and other forms of public transportation
- Health care facilities
- Auditoriums, arenas, and assembly facilities
- Meeting rooms open to the public
- Family day-care homes/group day-care homes
- Foster and group homes
- Retirement homes
- 65% of hotel or motel rooms

Indoor Workspaces

- Public and private offices and office buildings
- Non-tribal member owned public facilities operating on nontribal lands within reservations
- Small businesses
- Government buildings
- Work vehicles
- Restaurants, stores, bars, taverns, nightclubs, cocktail lounges, and casinos
- Social organizations such as Elks Lodges or Veterans Clubs
- Malls, movie theatres, and gyms
- Private residences serving as a day-care, foster care, and health care facility

MONTANA ALLOWS SMOKING IN:

- Private residences if not serving as a day-care, adult foster care home, or health care facility
- Private vehicles
- 35% of hotel or motel rooms
- Sites used in connection with the practice of cultural activities by American Indians in accordance with the American Indian Religious Freedom Act
- Public facilities owned and operated by Tribal governments or Tribal members within their reservation of enrollment



LOCAL LAWS MAY BE STRONGER:

Local jurisdictions have and continue to adopt smokefree laws that are stronger than state law by prohibiting the use of e-cigarettes and establishing a smoking distance provision. Contact your local Tobacco Education Specialist to learn more about your local smokefree laws or to report smoking violations. For more information, visit tobaccofree.mt.gov.



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