



Ordinance #937



Multnomah County
Health Department

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Ordinance takes effect on Saturday, July 1, 2000.

"No smoking" signs or the international "no smoking" symbol shall be clearly, sufficiently, and conspicuously posted in every building or other area where smoking is prohibited.

– Multnomah County Ordinance #937 21.504

For an easy transition

- *Remove all ashtrays, matches and smoking permitted signs in areas of workplace or restaurant affected by the new ordinance.*
- *Communicate the new ordinance information with all employees, clientele, and customers.*
- *If applicable, designate a smoking area outside that is agreeable with neighbors, other businesses, and the public. Avoid doorways and walkways.*
- *To establish a smoking breakroom, please contact us at 988-4163 for the required standards.*
- *Offer smoking cessation support for those employees who want to stop smoking. For more information, please call 988-4163.*

For Restaurants and Bars

- *Restaurants are required to be smokefree.*
- *Bars that never allow minors anywhere on the premises, per OLCC regulation, are exempt.*
- *Bars having OLCC sign restricting minors from a certain area are exempt in the "no minors" area. The rest of the establishment must be smokefree.*
- *These definitions are based on OLCC designations only. Posting your own "No minors" sign DOES NOT qualify you as a bar.*

Violations

- *If a violation occurs, either the management or a customer can address the situation, i.e., remind customer or management that Ordinance 937 is now in effect and request that the smoker go outside or refrain from smoking.*
- *If the situation cannot be remedied, please call 988-4163 to register a complaint.*
- *Callers should leave as many details as possible about the violation in order to assist staff in resolving the situation.*
- *All calls will be confidential and can be left anonymously.*
- *The Multnomah County Health Department will investigate all violations.*
- *Fines will not be issued until after July 1, 2001 to allow businesses time to adjust to the new law.*

For more information, additional signage, or to register a violation, please call 503-988-4163 or write to smokefreeworksite@yahoo.com

Visit our website at www.smokefreeworksite.org