

7. WHAT supports and resources are available for patrons and staff who smoke?

Information on FREE smoking cessation support from QuitNow, and FREE nicotine replacement therapy from the BC Smoking Program, can be accessed through the City's Healthy Community Partnership Committee webpage, at www.newwestcity.ca/hcp or by calling 811.

For more information on amendments to the Smoking Control Bylaw No. 6263, the Healthier Community Partnership Committee and resources for smoking cessation, visit www.newwestcity.ca/hcp

Thank you for helping to make New Westminster a healthier community!





A Guide for Businesses in New Westminster

Information on
City of New Westminster
Smoking Control Bylaw
No. 6263





On January 1, 2015, the City of New Westminster will implement changes to the Smoking Control Bylaw No. 6263, which has been amended to reduce the impact of exposure to second-hand smoke in public spaces.

FAQs

1. WHAT are the bylaw changes?

The City of New Westminster Smoking Control Bylaw No. 6263 has been amended to include the following restrictions:

- Smoking is prohibited within 7.5 meters of doors, windows and air intakes for public and workplace buildings;
- Smoking is prohibited on all restaurant and pub patios; and
- Smoking is prohibited within
 15 meters of outdoor sports facilities,
 playgrounds, off leash dog parks and
 picnic areas within city parks
- WHEN do they come into effect?
 The restrictions will be implemented on January 1, 2015.

3. **HOW** does the smoking bylaw affect my premise?

Building owners must take reasonable measures to post bylaw compliant signage, removing ashtrays and taking steps to ensure that smoking does not take place on their premises. 'No Smoking' signs must be prominently displayed so they are clearly visible to all persons located in prohibited areas and at the main entrance to buildings. Where an establishment is deemed to have committed an offence against the bylaw, fines of up to \$2,000 may be applied.

4. WHERE to get decals and signage?

A limited quantity of printed signs and decals will be available for pick up at New Westminster City facilities, and at Fraser Health Public Health Unit, 218 – 610 Sixth Street, New Westminster. Signs are also available online and can be downloaded and printed at: www.newwestcity.ca/hcp

5. WHERE else is smoking not allowed?

As per the Smoking Control Bylaw No. 6263, no person shall smoke:

- (a) in a service line;
- (b) at a service counter;
- (c) in a public transportation facility or vehicle, including but not limited to

- a school bus, a public bus, the "Sky Train", a transit shelter or waiting room relating to any form of transportation;
- (d) on an elevator, escalator or inside stairways;
- (e) in a restroom generally used by and open to the public;
- (f) in any retail premises;
- (g) in a taxicab;
- (h) in a personal services establishment;
- (i) in a place of public assembly;
- (j) in an office workplace;
- (k) in a common hallway, passageway, lobby, laundry room or exercise room in a multi-residential premise;
- (l) in a restaurant;
- (m) in a bowling alley;
- (n) in a billiard hall;
- (o) in a bingo parlour or casino;
- (p) in a public house, cocktail lounge, cabaret or bar.

To view the full bylaw, visit www.newwestcity.ca/city_hall/bylaws

6. WHAT TO DO if someone is smoking?

If someone is smoking, politely inform them that there is a new smoking bylaw in effect. To report a noncompliant business, contact the Health Protection Office in New Westminster at 604-777-6740.