

Smokefree Air Act

FACT SHEET



Overview

The Smokefree Air Act places smoking restrictions on smoking in common areas and guest rooms of hotels, motels and inns.

Definition

- ▶ “Hotel and motel” means any building or structure equipped, used, or advertised to the public to be an inn, hotel, motel, motor inn, or place where sleeping accommodations are furnished to transient guests for hire.

80/20 Statute

- ▶ “Smoking is not allowed in any enclosed areas of hotels and motels except in guest rooms which are designated for smoking.
- ▶ Designated smoking rooms cannot exceed 20% of the total number of rooms.
- ▶ The status of smoking and nonsmoking rooms cannot be changed, except to provide additional nonsmoking rooms.

Smoking Room Stipulations

- ▶ Smoking rooms on the same floor must be bordering or neighboring one another
- ▶ Smoke from smoking rooms cannot drift into areas where smoking is not allowed, such as: nonsmoking rooms, hallways, stairwells, elevators, lobbies, and other common areas.

Outdoor Areas

- ▶ Smoking is not regulated in outdoor areas of hotels, motels, or inns.
- ▶ Hotel, motel or inn operators can declare outdoor areas as nonsmoking and may designate 100% of their guest rooms as nonsmoking.

The information provided in this document is not intended to be legal advice. Please consult state statutes or contact an attorney for additional information about the Smokefree Air Act (Iowa Code 142D)

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