

CLEARING THE AIR ABOUT BRANTFORD'S CLEAN AIR BYLAW

City of Brantford Municipal Code – Chapter 570 Clean Air Bylaw – Final Phase In – Maximum Fine \$5000.00

Overview

The City of Brantford “Clean Air” bylaw was passed in March of 1998 to help protect the citizens of Brantford from second hand smoke. The responsibility for enforcement of the bylaw rests mainly with the Brant County Health Unit Public Health Inspectors and the City of Brantford Police Department. As of March 1998, smoke-free public places include all public areas of:

- ◆ Recreation facilities
- ◆ Municipal offices
- ◆ Municipal workplaces
- ◆ Public restrooms
- ◆ Reception areas
- ◆ Retail stores
- ◆ Places of instruction
- ◆ Churches
- ◆ Elevators, escalators, stairways, corridors and hallways (includes apartment buildings)
- ◆ Theatres
- ◆ Service lines
- ◆ Buses

Restaurants, Public Halls and Recreational Facilities

Restaurants, public halls and recreational facilities* are currently permitted to have a designated smoking area of no more than 30% of their total floor area. **As of June 1, 2002**, restaurants, public halls and recreational facilities must be 100% smoke-free. Owners have a duty to ensure compliance with the smoking restriction. Proprietors wishing to establish a separately enclosed and ventilated smoking area may do so provided it represents no more than 30% of the total floor area, and it is established **prior** to June 1, 2002. Specific ventilation capabilities are required, contact the Health Unit for details.

Taxi Cabs

Smoking is permitted in taxi cabs with the *unanimous consent* of all passengers and driver of the taxi cab.

Signage

Signs required by this bylaw shall conform to the graphic and text requirements of the bylaw. Signs can be obtained through the City of Brantford Clerks Department at a nominal cost.

Duties of Proprietor/Operators of Public Places

- ◆ Proprietors of a public place shall ensure that all patrons comply with the smoking restriction or prohibition.
- ◆ Proprietors shall post clearly visible signs indicating smoking is prohibited.

For further information, contact the Brant County Health Unit at 753-4937, Ext. 236.



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Brant County Health Unit
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* Recreational facilities include enclosed
bowling alleys, billiard halls, bingo halls, and
indoor golf facilities.

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