



THE ACT



A.R.S. § 36-601.01 (“the Act”),

prohibits smoking inside and within 20 feet of entrances, open windows, and ventilation systems of most enclosed public places and places of employment. The main purpose of the Act is to protect workers, customers, and the general public from the harmful effects of secondhand smoke in most enclosed public places and places of employment.

WHAT ABOUT LOCAL ORDINANCES?

The Act does not prevent a political subdivision of the State, such as counties or cities, from adopting ordinances or regulations that are more restrictive than the Act, nor does the Act repeal any existing ordinance or regulation that is more restrictive than the Act. The Act supersedes local ordinances that are less stringent.

HOW DOES IN-HOUSE SMOKING POLICIES WORK?

The Act allows proprietors to implement in-house smoking policies that are more restrictive than the Act in any areas under their control. For example, some proprietors of public places and places of employment in Arizona are choosing to provide smoke-free campuses for their visitors, employees, and other patrons. Many proprietors are also creating designated smoking areas and allowing smoking only in those areas. Please keep in mind that Smoke-Free Arizona Program officials can only enforce the provisions defined in the Act. This means that Smoke-Free Arizona Program officials do not enforce local ordinances or in-house smoking policies.

TO REPORT A VIOLATION OR FILE A COMPLAINT

Go to www.smokefreearizona.org
Or call 1-877-4-AZNOSMOKE
(1-877-429-6676)

