

National and Subnational Legislation Requiring Enclosed Restaurants and Bars to be 100% Smoke-free

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Summary

Legislation with 100% smoking bans inside enclosed restaurants and bars (with smoking rooms/areas completely prohibited) has been adopted with application in at least 11 countries (Ireland, Norway, New Zealand, Bhutan, Uruguay, Lithuania, Iceland, United Kingdom, Djibouti, Panama, Turkey), 24 U.S. states (plus D.C.), 12 Canadian provinces and territories, 7 Australian states and territories, 4 Argentine provinces, the Swiss Canton of Geneva, the Mexican state of Tabasco and the Mexican Federal District (Mexico City), as well as Bermuda, Guernsey, Jersey, Puerto Rico, British Virgin Islands, Isle of Man, and Hong Kong. (The effective implementation date is indicated below in parentheses). In addition, many municipalities in various countries have adopted 100% smoke-free laws for restaurants/bars.

Countries (11)

1. Ireland (Mar. 29, 2004)
2. Norway (June 1, 2004)
3. New Zealand (Dec. 10, 2004)
4. Bhutan (circa Mar. 2005)
5. Uruguay (Mar. 1, 2006)
6. Lithuania (Jan. 1, 2007)
7. Iceland (June 1, 2007)
8. United Kingdom (July 1, 2007)¹
9. Djibouti (Mar. 2, 2008)
10. Panama (Apr. 24, 2008)
11. Turkey (July 19, 2009)

United Kingdom

1. Scotland (Mar. 26, 2006)
2. Wales (Apr. 2, 2007)
3. Northern Ireland (Apr. 30, 2007)
4. England (July 1, 2007)

Canadian provinces/territories (12 of 13)

1. Northwest Territories (May 1, 2004)
2. Nunavut Territory (May 1, 2004)
3. New Brunswick (Oct. 1, 2004)
4. Manitoba (Oct. 1, 2004)
5. Saskatchewan (Jan. 1, 2005)
6. Newfoundland and Labrador (July 1, 2005) *
7. Ontario (May 31, 2006)
8. Quebec (May 31, 2006)
9. Nova Scotia (Dec. 1, 2006) *
10. Alberta (Jan. 1, 2008) *
11. British Columbia (Mar. 31, 2008)
12. Yukon Territory (May 15, 2008) *

Australian states/territories (7 of 8)

1. Tasmania (Jan 1, 2006)
2. Queensland (July 1, 2006) *
3. Western Australia (July 31, 2006)
4. Australian Capital Territory (Dec. 1, 2006)
5. Victoria (July 1, 2007)
6. New South Wales (July 2, 2007)
7. South Australia (Oct. 31, 2007)

Notes

1. Based on combined effect of laws applicable to Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland and England.
- * legislation also applies to all of (or most of) any outdoor premises (e.g. patios) of restaurants/bars

U.S. states (25 of 51, including D.C.)

1. California (Jan. 1, 1998)
2. Delaware (Nov. 27, 2002)
3. New York (July 24, 2003)
4. Maine (Jan. 1, 2004)
5. Connecticut (Apr. 1, 2004)
6. Massachusetts (July 5, 2004)
7. Rhode Island (Mar. 31, 2005)
8. Vermont (Sept. 1, 2005)
9. Washington (Dec. 8, 2005)
10. New Jersey (April 15, 2006)
11. Colorado (July 1, 2006)
12. Hawaii (Nov. 16, 2006) *
13. Ohio (Dec. 7, 2006)
14. District of Columbia (D.C.), (Jan. 2, 2007)
15. Arizona (May 1, 2007)
16. New Mexico (June 15, 2007)
17. New Hampshire (Sept. 17, 2007)
18. Minnesota (Oct. 1, 2007)
19. Illinois (Jan. 1, 2008)
20. Maryland (Feb. 1, 2008)
21. Iowa (July 1, 2008)
22. Utah (Jan. 1, 2009)
23. Oregon (Jan. 1, 2009)
24. Nebraska (June 1, 2009)
25. Montana (Oct. 1, 2009)

Switzerland (1 of 26 cantons)

1. Geneva (July 1, 2008)

Argentina (4 of 23 provinces)

1. Sante Fe (Mar. 21, 2006)
2. Tucuman (June 29, 2006)
3. Neuquen (Nov. 15, 2007)
4. Mendoza (Feb. 12, 2008)

Mexico (2 of 32 including federal district)

1. Mexico Federal District (Mexico City) (Apr. 7, 2008)
2. Tabasco (Aug. 9, 2008)

Other (7)

1. Bermuda (Apr. 1, 2006) (British territory)
2. Guernsey (July 2, 2006) (Crown dependency, English Channel; applies to islands of Guernsey, Herm)
3. Jersey (Jan. 2, 2007) (Crown dependency, English Channel)
4. Puerto Rico (Mar. 2, 2007) (U.S. commonwealth, Caribbean)
5. British Virgin Islands (May 31, 2007) (British territory, Caribbean)
6. Isle of Man (Mar. 30, 2008) (Crown dependency, Irish Sea)
7. Hong Kong (July 1, 2009) (Special Administrative Region, China)