

Smoking, Vaping, Public Places & Places of Employment

Thurston County Public Health & Social Services Department

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Purpose

A local ordinance to restrict vaping in public places will help Thurston County:

- reduce exposures to secondhand smoke and vape emissions
- curb youth vaping

Thurston County Proposal: Adopt rules consistent with Washington State Smoking in Public Places law (RCW 70.160) into Sanitary Code for Thurston County

Smoking & Vaping Restrictions

- ✓ Indoor Public Places
with exception of tastings in licensed retail outlets per state law.
- ✓ Places of employment
including outdoor spaces (patios/decks) where employees are expected to go as part of their work.
 - Smoking and vaping also prohibited within 25' of doors/windows/air intakes.
- ✓ Youth Oriented Outdoor Places
- ✓ Requires signage



Implementation

If adopted,

- Effective January 1, 2021 with 6 month educational phase
- Enforcement will not commence until July 1, 2021