



List of Municipalities that Restrict Smoking Near Entryways

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According to the U.S. Surgeon General, secondhand smoke exposure is harmful at any level. Therefore, many cities and counties in California have taken steps to protect their residents from this danger by passing ordinances that restrict smoking in outdoor areas where people congregate, such as entryways of buildings. California state law prohibits smoking within 20 feet of entrances, exits or operable windows of public buildings (which includes state, county and city buildings) but municipalities are not preempted from prohibiting smoking near the entryways of all other buildings.

There are 110 municipalities in California that have passed ordinances to prohibit smoking near the entryways of all buildings and enclosed areas where smoking is prohibited. The table below lists all of these cities and counties and divides the policies into two categories:

1. Municipalities that prohibit smoking within 20 (or more) feet of entryways

There are 90 municipalities with this type of policy. This is the strongest type of restriction, ensuring that residents will not be exposed to secondhand smoke within 20 feet of entryways and essentially extending the state law to all buildings.

2. Municipalities that prohibit smoking within 19 (or less) feet of entryways or within an unspecified distance of entryways

There are 20 municipalities with this type of policy. Such policies do protect people from secondhand smoke near entryways but set a standard that is lower than the state law for public buildings. Some of these municipalities simply prohibit smoking within “a reasonable distance” of entryways but do not define that distance. This creates uncertainty about the distance restrictions and makes the local law difficult to enforce.

For more information about smokefree entryways and other restrictions on smoking in outdoor areas, visit www.Center4TobaccoPolicy.org/smokefree-outdoor-areas. Resources available on this page include information on the need for and benefits of these policies, a list of cities and counties that have adopted comprehensive outdoor secondhand smoke ordinances and answers to tough questions about smokefree outdoor policies.

County	Within 20 or More Feet of Entryways			Within 19 or Less Feet of Entryways or Within an Unspecified Distance of Entryways
Alameda County	Alameda Alameda County Albany Berkeley	Dublin Emeryville Fremont Hayward	Newark Oakland San Leandro Union City	Livermore Pleasanton
Alpine County	Alpine County			
Butte County	Chico			

County	Within 20 or More Feet of Entryways			Within 19 or Less Feet of Entryways or Within an Unspecified Distance of Entryways
Contra Costa County	Contra Costa County Lafayette Martinez	Pinole Richmond	Walnut Creek San Ramon	Pleasant Hill San Ramon
Del Norte County	Crescent City	Del Norte County		
Glenn County	Orland			
Humboldt County	Blue Lake	Arcata	Eureka	
Imperial County	Calexico			
Los Angeles County	Baldwin Park Burbank Calabasas Carson Compton	Glendale Huntington Park Malibu Monterey Park Pasadena	San Fernando Santa Monica South Pasadena Temple City	Beverly Hills Culver City Hermosa Beach
Marin County	Fairfax Larkspur Marin County Mill Valley	Novato Ross San Anselmo	San Rafael Sausalito Tiburon	
Mendocino County				Fort Bragg
Mono County	Mammoth Lakes			
Orange County	Laguna Hills	Laguna Woods		
Riverside County	Palm Desert	Temecula		Murrieta
San Bernardino County	Loma Linda			
San Diego County	Del Mar El Cajon	Solana Beach Coronado		Escondido
San Francisco County				San Francisco
San Joaquin County	Stockton			Tracy
San Luis Obispo County	Morro Bay	San Luis Obispo		
San Mateo County	Belmont	Menlo Park	Daly City	
Santa Barbara County	Buellton Carpinteria	Santa Barbara County		
Santa Clara County	Campbell Mountain View	Santa Clara County		Morgan Hill Palo Alto
Santa Cruz County	Santa Cruz	Scotts Valley	Capitola	Santa Cruz County Watsonville
Shasta County				Anderson
Sonoma County	Healdsburg Petaluma Rohnert Park	Santa Rosa Sebastopol	Sonoma County Windsor	
Sutter County	Live Oak			Yuba City
Ventura County	Camarillo	Moorpark	Thousand Oaks	
Yolo County	Davis	Woodland		Yolo County
Yuba County				Yuba County