



Local Policies on the Use of Electronic Cigarettes

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Cities and counties across California are taking steps to protect their communities from new and emerging tobacco products. One such product that has seen an increase in use and advertising is electronic cigarettes, or e-cigarettes. According to the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA), an e-cigarette is a battery powered device that allows users to inhale an aerosol spray containing nicotine or other substances. The safety of these devices is still unknown, and initial studies have found carcinogens and toxic chemicals in the aerosol, including ingredients used to make antifreeze. Furthermore, the FDA has not approved e-cigarettes as safe and effective in helping smokers quit and has [proposed regulations](#) that will extend basic regulatory authority found in the Tobacco Control Act to e-cigarettes. More recently, the California Department of Public Health and state health officer issued a [Health Advisory](#) and [report](#) warning Californians of the toxicity of electronic cigarettes.

In California, the sale of e-cigarettes to minors has been prohibited since 2011, but their use is still largely unregulated. As a result, advocates throughout California have taken steps to ensure that e-cigarettes are regulated and monitored in their communities.

Below is a list of the **131** cities and counties in California that prohibit the use of e-cigarettes in some outdoor areas, some indoor areas, or both. The matrix below specifies the indoor and outdoor areas where e-cigarettes are prohibited by each community. When a policy is noted with an asterisk (*), more details can be found on the last page.

These cities have included e-cigarettes in their existing smokefree laws. For details on how to include electronic cigarettes go to [Changelab Solutions' model ordinance on electronic cigarettes](#).

For specific questions about a city or county policy, please contact the Center. Additional resources on e-cigarettes produced by the Center are available at <http://www.Center4TobaccoPolicy.org/electronic-cigarettes/>.

City/County	Outdoor Areas							Indoor Areas							
	Dining Areas	Entryways	Public Events	Recreation Areas	Service Areas	Sidewalks	Worksites	Hallways	City Owned/ Operated Facility	Hotels/ Motels	Multi-Unit Housing	Public Transit	Places of Employment	Restaurants	Theaters/ Convent. Centers
Folsom April 2015			X	X	X				X	X*	X*	X	X	X	X
Livermore April 2015	X	X		X	X			X	X	X*	X*	X	X	X	X
Pomona March 2015				X											
Hemet March 2015	X	X	X	X	X				X		X*				
Anderson March 2015		X	X	X					X						
Redding March 2015				X					X*						
Solvang March 2015									X				X	X	X
San Luis Obispo March 2015	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X*	X*	X	X	X	
Placer County March 2015									X						
Seaside February 2015				X					X	X		X	X	X	
Solano County February 2015				X				X	X			X			X
Santa Clara Co. February 2015	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X*	X	X	X	X
Paradise February 2015	X	X		X					X	X	X*	X	X	X	X
Carson January 2015	X	X	X	X	X		X		X		X*		X		
Shasta Lake Dec. 2014								X	X			X	X	X	X
San Anselmo Dec. 2014	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X*	X	X	X	X	X
Piedmont Dec. 2014	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X*	X	X		
Garden Grove Nov. 2014		X*		X					X				X		

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Anaheim Nov. 2014		X*							X						X
Watsonville October 2014		X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X*	X	X	X	X
Windsor October 2014	X	X	X	X									X		
San Mateo Co. October 2014				X					X		X				
San Marcos October 2014				X	X				X			X	X	X	X
San Leandro October 2014	X	X	X	X	X				X	X*	X*	X	X	X	X
Laguna Hills October 2014	X	X	X	X	X			X		X*	X*	X	X	X	X
El Cerrito October 2014	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Susanville Sept. 2014			X	X									X		
Santa Monica Sept 2014	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X				
San Diego County Sept. 2014				X	X				X				X		
Berkeley Sept. 2014	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Alpine County August 2014		X	X	X		n/a			X			X			
Monterey Park August 2014	X	X		X					X		X*				
La Mesa August 2014				X	X										X
El Cajon July 2014	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X*	X	X	X	X
Woodland July 2014		X	X	X					X						
San Diego July 2014				X					X			X	X	X	X
Oakley July 2014	X	X	X	X	X				X			X	X	X	X

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American Canyon June 2014				X											
Sonoma County June 2014	X	X	X	X	X				X	X*		X	X	X	
Calabasas June 2014	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X*	X	X	X	X	X
Dublin June 2014	X	X	X	X	X			X	X		X		X	X	X
Rancho Cordova June 2014	X	X	X	X				X	X		X*	X		X	X
Pittsburgh June 2014				X					X			X			X
Laguna Niguel June 2014				X											
Lompoc June 2014				X					X						
Manhattan Beach June 2014	X	X	X	X	X	X				X*			X	X	X
Arvin June 2014				X											
Bellflower June 2014												X*	X*		
Palmdale June 2014			X	X					X	X*		X			X
Apple Valley May 2014				X					X					X	
Gardena May 2014				X											
Healdsburg May 2014	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X*	X	X	X	X
Cerritos May 2014				X					X						
Foster City May 2014	X*	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Davis May 2014	X	X	X	X	X					X	X*	X	X	X	X

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Orland May 2014		X		X	X				X						
Goleta May 2014				X											
Corte Madera April 2014	X	X	X	X	X		X			X*	X	X	X	X	
Pleasanton April 2014	X	X			X			X	X	X*		X		X	
South San Francisco April 2014				X					X						
Del Mar April 2014	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Encinitas April 2014	X			X								X	X	X	X
Mammoth Lakes April 2014	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X*	X	X	X	X
Oceanside April 2014	X			X	X	X						X	X	X	X
Scotts Valley April 2014		X		X	X			X		X	X*		X	X	X
Solana Beach April 2014	X	X	X*	X					X			X		X	X
Beverly Hills March 2014	X	X	X	X	X				X			X	X	X	
Milpitas March 2014				X					X						
Santa Cruz March 2014	X	X		X	X	X		X		X	X*	X	X	X	X
Santa Maria March 2014									X			X		X	X
Los Angeles March 2014	X		X	X								X*	X	X	X
Sunnyvale March 2014	X*			X					X				X	X	
San Francisco March 2014			X*	X	X						X*	X	X	X	X
Long Beach March 2014	X*		X*	X	X*					X*	X*			X	X

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Buena Park March 2014				X*											
Poway February 2014				X											
Fremont February 2014	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X*	X*	X	X		
Norwalk January 2014				X					X				X		
Hayward January 2014	X		X	X	X	X			X	X*		X		X	X
Selma Dec. 2013				X*											
San Bernardino County Dec. 2013					X				X	X*		X	X		
Richmond Dec. 2013	X	X	X	X	X						X*		X	X	
Carlsbad Dec. 2013	X			X								X	X	X	
Lakewood November 2013									X			X		X	
Vista October 2013				X*						X		X	X	X	X
Alhambra October 2013	X*		X*	X				X	X				X	X	
Walnut Creek October 2013	X	X	X*	X	X	X*	X		X		X		X	X	
Benicia Sept. 2013				X				X	X			X		X*	X
Hawaiian Gardens Sept. 2013				X					X			X			
Arcata July 2013	X	X	X	X	X						X*	X	X		X
Pico Rivera July 2013				X											
Contra Costa County April 2013	X	X	X	X	X				X	X	X*	X	X		X

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Oroville March 2013								X	X	X	X*	X	X	X	X
Petaluma January 2013	X	X	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Daly City October 2012		X	X	X	X		X			X	X		X		X
Mill Valley Sept. 2012	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X*	X	X	X	X
San Fernando Sept. 2012	X	X	X	X	X		X								
Buellton June 2012	X	X		X						X		X		X	
Arcadia June 2012		X	X	X	X			X							X
Marin County May 2012	X	X	X	X	X				X		X	X	X		
Morgan Hill April 2012	X	X	X	X	X			X	X			X	X	X	X
Mountain View February 2012	X	X		X				X		X		X	X	X	X
Baldwin Park Nov. 2011									X		X				
Huntington Park Sept. 2011	X	X	X	X	X		X		X		X				
El Monte Sept. 2011				X					X			X			
Concord Sept. 2011	X*		X*	X*	X*	X*			X	X		X	X	X	X
Compton August 2011	X	X	X	X	X						X				
Los Altos August 2011				X											
Tiburon July 2011	X	X	X	X	X			X			X	X	X	X	X
Fairfax June 2011		X	X	X	X			X		X	X	X	X		X
Cupertino May 2011				X											
Carpinteria February 2011	X	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X*	X	X	X	X

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Union City November 2010	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X		X
Menlo Park October 2010	X	X	X	X	X			X			X*	X	X	X	X
Saratoga Sept. 2010				X			X					X	X		
South Pasadena August 2010									X		X				
Sebastopol August 2010	X	X	X	X	X		X			X	X	X	X		X
Eureka July 2010	X	X	X	X	X		X			X	X*	X	X		X
Hawthorne May 2010			X	X					X						
Crescent City May 2010		X*	X	X					X			X			
Santa Barbara County April 2010	X*	X	X	X	X				X	X		X	X		X
Martinez April 2009	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X*	X	X		X
Glendale October 2008	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X
Culver City Sept. 2008	X*			X											
Novato April 2008	X	X	X	X	X		X			X	X	X	X		X
Belmont October 2007	X	X	X	X	X		X			X	X		X		
Gonzales July 2007				X											
Temecula May 2007	X*		X	X	X		X	X		X		X	X	X*	
Emeryville Dec. 2006	X	X		X	X			X	X	X	X	X	X*	X	X
Murrieta October 2006	X	X		X	X			X			X*	X		X	X
Inglewood June 2004			X	X											X

Alhambra – Only applies to eating establishments with a seating capacity under 40, only applies to farmer’s markets
 Anaheim – Only applies to Anaheim Arena
 Arcata – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Bellflower – Only applies to any enclosed space owned by the City or operated by or on behalf of the City, including vehicles and public transit
 Benicia – Only applies to restaurants with an occupied capacity of 50 or more persons but must not prevent not prevent (1) the designating of a contiguous area within a restaurant that contains no more than 50 percent of the seating capacity of the restaurant as a smoking area, or (2) the providing of separate rooms designated as smoking rooms, as long said room does not take up more than 50% of the restaurant’s seating capacity
 Beverly Hills: Only applies to entryways of outdoor dining areas and public and private plazas
 Buena Park – Only applies to most recreation areas
 Carpinteria – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Calabasas – Applies to 80% of guest rooms in hotels/motels
 Carson – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Concord- Only applies to downtown Concord
 Contra Costa County – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Corte Madera – Applies to 80% of guest rooms in hotels/motels
 Crescent City – Only applies to entryways of public buildings
 Culver City – Excludes outdoor bar patios
 Daly City – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Davis – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 El Cajon – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Emeryville – Only applies if there are fewer than 6 employees
 Eureka – Only applies to common areas/patios of multi-unit housing
 Folsom – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing; Smoking prohibited in all areas and interior units of city-funded housing; Only applies to 50% of guest rooms in hotels/motels
 Foster City – Only applies to at least 50% of outdoor dining area
 Fremont – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Garden Grove – Only applies to entryways of public buildings; Only applies to tot lots and playgrounds
 Hayward – Only applies to common areas and 35% of rooms at hotels/motels
 Healdsburg – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Hemet – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Laguna Hills – Only applies to at least 35% of rooms at hotels/motels and common areas of multi-unit housing
 Livermore – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing; Applies to 75% of guest rooms in hotels/motels

Long Beach – Only applies to 2/3 of outdoor dining, farmer’s markets, bus stops, lobbies of hotels/motels and indoor common areas of multi-unit housing
 Los Angeles – Only applies to buses
 Mammoth Lakes – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Manhattan Beach – Only applies to at least 80% of rooms at hotels/motels
 Martinez – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Menlo Park – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Mill Valley – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Monterey Park – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Murrieta – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Oroville – Only applies to indoor common areas of multi-unit housing
 Palmdale – Only applies to 40% of guest rooms in hotels/motels
 Paradise – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Piedmont – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Pleasanton – Permits up to 25% of rooms in hotels/motels as designated for smoking guests; Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Rancho Cordova – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Redding – Only applies to the Shasta Library grounds
 Richmond – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 San Anselmo – Applies to 80% of nonsmoking rooms in hotels/motels
 San Bernardino County – Applies to 75% of guest rooms in hotels/motels
 San Leandro – Applies to 75% of guest rooms in hotels/motels; Only applies to common areas in housing
 San Luis Obispo – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing; 75% of rooms in hotels/motels
 San Francisco – Only applies to all outdoor events except Neighborhood block parties and to indoor common areas of multi-unit housing
 Santa Clara County – Only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing
 Santa Rosa – Applies to 75% of guest rooms in hotels/motels
 Selma – Only applies to skate parks
 Scotts Valley – Only applies to indoor common areas of multi-unit housing
 Solana Beach – Only applies to street fairs
 Sonoma County – Applies to 75% of guest rooms in hotels/motels
 Sunnyvale – Only applies to 60% of outdoor dining
 Temecula – Only applies to outdoor dining areas if there is an on-sale alcohol license
 Vista – Does not apply to all recreation areas
 Walnut Creek – Only applies to the Downtown Pedestrian Retail District
 Watsonville – Applies to 75% of guest rooms in hotels/motels and only applies to common areas of multi-unit housing