Starting May 1, 2010, all bars and restaurants "Licensed Food Establishments" in Michigan will be SMOKE-FREE.



That leaves more breathing room for your customers and employees.

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What are the requirements of the law?

Restaurant and bar operators shall prohibit smoking at their establishments. Smoking will not be permitted in outside areas where service is intended to take place. Compliance is determined by the following:

- Clearly and conspicuously post "no smoking" signs or the
 international "no smoking" symbol at each entrance and in other
 areas where smoking is prohibited under this act. These other
 areas may include outdoor areas such as patios or rooftops
 where patrons are intended to receive service and/or consume
 food and/or beverages.
- Remove ashtrays and other smoking paraphernalia from anywhere where smoking is prohibited.
- Inform individuals that smoking in the establishment is a violation of state law.
- Refuse service to an individual smoking in violation of this act.
- Ask an individual smoking in violation of this act to refrain from smoking and, if the individual continues to smoke in violation of this act, ask him or her to leave.

How will the law be enforced?

Compliance with the law is the responsibility of the owner, manager or other person in charge of the restaurant or bar. Local health departments are responsible for the enforcement of the smoke-free law. More information about enforcement is available at: www.michigan.gov/smokefreelaw

