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U.S. Laws for Smokefree Multi-Unit Housing

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As of January 1, **101 municipalities** have enacted a law at the city or county level that regulates smoking in private units of multi-unit housing properties.

Currently, all municipalities with laws regulating smoking in private units of multi-unit housing are in California. ANRF looks forward to adding municipalities in other states to this list in the future.

Of the 101 municipalities that regulate smoking in private units of multi-unit housing:

51 have the **strongest, best practice laws** that require all multi-unit housing to be 100% smokefree indoors, without exception. These laws cover rental properties (i.e. apartments) and owner-occupied properties (i.e. condominiums and townhomes) with 2 or more units, and they prohibit the use of vaping products and the smoking/vaping of marijuana where smoking is not allowed. These municipality names are in **bold**.

65 have laws that prohibit smoking in **100% of private units** of both rental **and** owner-occupied multi-unit housing properties with 2 or more units, but may not fully prohibit the use of vaping products and/or the smoking/vaping of marijuana.

85 have laws that prohibit smoking in 100% of private units of **rental** multi-unit housing properties, but may not cover owner-occupied properties and may apply to buildings with 3 or more units.

81% of the 101 laws apply to multi-unit properties with 2 or more units, which is the best practice standard.

78% of the 101 municipalities explicitly prohibit smoking and vaping of marijuana wherever tobacco smoking is not allowed.

See Definitions and Explanatory Notes starting on page 6.

Visit ANRF's smokefree multi-unit housing page at no-smoke.org/at-risk-places/homes/ for more information.

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Municipalities with Laws for Smokefree Multi-Unit Housing:

This table lists municipalities that have **local laws** at the city or county level that regulate smoking in **private units** of multi-unit housing.

Municipality	State	% of Units Currently Smokefree	Effective Date	Minimum Number of Units	Exempts Existing Residents	Includes Condos	Includes Patios/ Balconies	Includes Vaping	Includes Marijuana Smoking/ Vaping
1. **Alameda**	CA	100%	1/1/2013	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
2. **Alameda County^**	CA	100%	7/1/2022	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
3. **Albany**	CA	100%	3/24/2018	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
4. **American Canyon**	CA	100%	6/15/2023	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
5. Baldwin Park	CA	100% new/ 80% existing	12/2/2014	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Vaping Exempt
6. Bell Gardens	CA	100%	6/1/2021	3	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
7. **Belmont**	CA	100%	1/8/2009	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
8. **Belvedere**	CA	100%	11/9/2017	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
9. **Benicia**	CA	100%	9/2/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
10. **Berkeley**	CA	100%	5/1/2014	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
11. Beverley Hills	CA	100%	1/1/2019	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Smoking Exempt
12. Brisbane	CA	100%	6/3/2017	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Medical Use Exempt
13. Buena Park	CA	100%	8/10/2023	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Smoking Exempt
14. Burbank	CA	N/S	5/1/2011	N/S	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
15. Burlingame	CA	100%	2/13/2016	2	No	Yes	Yes	No	Medical Use Exempt
16. Calabasas	CA	80%	1/1/2012	2	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
17. **Clayton**	CA	100%	5/1/2019	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
18. Compton	CA	100%	1/1/2013	3	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
19. **Concord**	CA	100%	1/1/2021	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
20. **Contra Costa County^**	CA	100%	7/1/2019	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
21. **Corte Madera**	CA	100%	6/17/2022	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
22. Cotati	CA	100%	1/1/2017	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Medical Use Exempt
23. **Crescent City**	CA	100%	1/1/2022	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
24. **Cudahy**	CA	100%	1/3/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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25. Culver City	CA	100%	5/26/2016	2	No	Yes	Yes	Specifically Exempt	Vaping Exempt
26. **Cupertino**	CA	100%	10/1/2021	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
27. Daly City	CA	100%	1/21/2014	2	No	No	Yes	Yes	Medical Smoking Exempt
28. Danville	CA	100%	5/1/2016	3	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
29. **Del Norte County^**	CA	100%	7/1/2023	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
30. Dublin	CA	75%	1/1/2013	16	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
31. **El Cerrito**	CA	100%	10/1/2015	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
32. El Monte	CA	100%	8/19/2017	3	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
33. **Emeryville**	CA	100%	7/1/2019	2	No	Yes	N/S	Yes	Yes
34. **Fairfax**	CA	100%	1/1/2023	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
35. **Firebaugh**	CA	100%	7/1/2019	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
36. Foster City	CA	100%	11/5/2015	N/S	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
37. Fremont	CA	100% new/ 0% existing	2/1/2017	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
38. Fresno	CA	100%	1/1/2022	2	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
39. Glendale	CA	100% new/ 0% existing	6/27/2013	2	No	Yes	Yes	No	Vaping Exempt
40. **Guadalupe**	CA	100%	8/27/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
41. Half Moon Bay	CA	100%	1/15/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Medical Vaping Exempt
42. **Healdsburg**	CA	100%	5/6/2020	2	No	Yes	N/S	Yes	Yes
43. Hercules	CA	100%	6/13/2020	10	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
44. Huntington Park	CA	100% rental/ 80% condos	7/1/2013	2	Yes, in condos	80%	Yes	Yes	Yes
45. Jurupa Valley	CA	100% new units & designated existing units	8/3/2021	3	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
46. Lafayette	CA	100% new/ 0% existing	2/10/2014	3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Specifically Exempt	No
47. **Larkspur**	CA	100%	9/17/2022	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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48. Loma Linda	CA	70%	1/1/2012	2	Yes	No	Yes	No	Vaping Exempt
49. Los Gatos	CA	100%	6/25/2017	2	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
50. Manhattan Beach	CA	100%	5/5/2017	3	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
51. **Marin County^**	CA	100%	10/14/2021	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
52. **Mill Valley**	CA	100%	11/18/2016	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
53. **Millbrae**	CA	100%	1/1/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
54. **Milpitas**	CA	100%	1/1/2022	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
55. **Monte Sereno**	CA	100%	10/1/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
56. Moorpark	CA	100%	2/1/2019	2	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
57. **Morro Bay**	CA	100%	8/1/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
58. Mountain View	CA	100%	1/1/2022	3	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
59. **Novato**	CA	100%	1/1/2018	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
60. Oakley	CA	100% new/ 0% existing	4/1/2014	2	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Vaping Exempt
61. **Pacific Grove**	CA	100%	10/1/2021	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
62. **Pacifica**	CA	100%	10/9/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
63. Palo Alto	CA	100%	1/1/2018	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Vaping Exempt
64. **Pasadena**	CA	100%	1/1/2013	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
65. **Petaluma**	CA	100%	1/1/2014	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
66. Pinole	CA	100%	10/18/2019	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
67. Pleasant Hill	CA	100% new/ 50% existing	4/5/10 new, 1/1/16 existing	4	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
68. Pleasanton	CA	100%	7/1/2022	2	No	No	Yes	Yes	Medical Use Exempt in Outdoor Area
69. **Rancho Cordova**	CA	100%	11/4/2021	2	No	Yes	N/S	Yes	Yes
70. **Redwood City**	CA	100%	1/1/2019	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
71. Richmond	CA	100%	1/1/2011	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Medical Smoking Exempt
72. Riverside	CA	100% new/ 0% existing	7/28/2022	2	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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73. **Rohnert Park**	CA	100%	4/23/2018	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
74. **Ross**	CA	100%	2/9/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
75. **San Anselmo**	CA	100%	1/8/2016	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
76. **San Bruno**	CA	100%	2/22/2018	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
77. **San Carlos**	CA	100%	7/8/2020	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
78. **San Mateo**	CA	100%	11/14/2015	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
79. San Mateo County^	CA	100%	2/4/2016	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Specifically Exempt
80. San Pablo	CA	100%	7/1/2021	2	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
81. San Rafael	CA	100%	11/14/2013	3	No	Yes	Yes	Specifically Exempt	No
82. **Santa Clara**	CA	100%	8/1/2019	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
83. Santa Clara County^	CA	100%	2/9/2012	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
84. Santa Monica	CA	100% new units & designated existing units	11/22/2012	N/S	Yes	Yes	N/S	Yes	Yes
85. **Santa Rosa**	CA	100%	8/7/2016	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
86. Saratoga	CA	100%	9/16/2016	4	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
87. **Sausalito**	CA	100%	5/31/2024	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
88. Sebastopol	CA	100%	11/2/2011	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Medical Use Exempt
89. Sierra Madre	CA	100%	10/1/2024	4	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
90. **Sonoma**	CA	100%	12/12/2016	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
91. Sonoma County^	CA	100%	1/12/2013	2	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
92. South Pasadena	CA	100% new/ 80% existing	3/3/11 new, 9/4/13 existing	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
93. **South San Francisco**	CA	100%	11/9/2017	2	No	Yes	N/S	Yes	Yes
94. **Sunnyvale**	CA	100%	9/23/2016	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
95. Temecula	CA	25%	11/8/07 new, 6/7/12 existing	10	Yes	N/S	Yes	No	Yes
96. Tiburon	CA	100%	10/16/2018	4	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
97. Union City	CA	100%	2/23/2012	2	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
98. **Vallejo**	CA	100%	9/21/2022	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
99. **Walnut Creek**	CA	100%	1/30/2014	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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100. West Hollywood	CA	100% new/ 0% existing	7/15/2021	3	No	Yes	Yes	Specifically Exempt	Smoking and Vaping Exempt
101. **Windsor**	CA	100%	8/15/2017	2	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Definitions and Explanatory Notes:

Additional municipalities throughout the U.S. that are not represented on this list have local laws that do not address smoking in private units, but do regulate smoking in multi-unit housing to a lesser extent, such as by prohibiting smoking only in indoor common areas or only on patios/balconies.

For public housing policies, see U.S. Public Housing Authority Policies Restricting or Prohibiting Smoking.

= The law's smokefree requirements are not yet in effect.

^ = County laws in California only cover unincorporated areas of the county, and do not cover cities in the county. Cities located within the county need to adopt their own local laws.

% of Units Currently Smokefree:

The percentage of units in specified types of multi-unit housing that are required to be smokefree when the law is fully in effect. If a law has different requirements for newly occupied or newly constructed units versus existing units (i.e. units residents are living in at the time the policy is enacted), the percentages are specified as "X% new, Y% existing."

Effective Date:

The date when the provisions of the law went into full effect. Some laws provide multiple effective dates, such as an initial effective date for when common areas and newly occupied units must be smokefree, and a final effective date when the policy is in effect for residents living in the building at the time the policy is enacted. In municipalities that have enacted more than one law regulating smoking in multi-unit housing, the listed Effective Date is for the policy with the primary smokefree requirements, e.g. Berkeley's smokefree law went into effect in 2014 (listed), and a medical marijuana exemption was removed in 2020; whereas Corte Madera's partial smokefree law went into effect in 2015, and their comprehensive smokefree law went into effect in 2022 (listed).

Minimum Number of Units: The law applies to multi-unit buildings that have the specified minimum number of units. Most laws apply to multi-unit buildings with two or more units, including duplexes, which is the best practice.

Exempts Existing Residents: The law does not require residents who currently live in multi-unit buildings to follow the smokefree requirements of the law. Instead, the smokefree requirements typically only apply to residents who move into the building after the law goes into effect. This exemption should be avoided.

Includes Condos: The law's smokefree requirements apply to owner-occupied multi-unit properties, such as condominiums and townhomes.

Includes Patios/Balconies: The law prohibits smoking on patios, balconies, decks, and other private-use outdoor spaces attached to individual units.

Includes Vaping: The law prohibits the use of vaping products in multi-unit housing wherever tobacco smoking is not allowed. Laws marked "No" do not address vaping and thus it cannot be assumed that vaping is included, whereas laws marked "Specifically Exempt" contain language that specifically exempts vaping from the smokefree requirements.

Includes Marijuana Smoking/Vaping: The law prohibits the smoking and vaping of marijuana in multi-unit housing wherever tobacco smoking is not allowed. Laws marked "No" do not address smoking and/or vaping of marijuana and thus it cannot be assumed that marijuana is included, whereas other laws contain language that specifically exempts smoking and/or vaping of marijuana from the smokefree requirements as detailed in the column.

Please note that this is currently a partial list and ANR Foundation is actively collecting and analyzing additional laws. **If you know of local laws that you think should be included on the list,** or want to inquire about additional information on particular laws, please contact the ANR Foundation at info@no-smoke.org or 510-841-3032.

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