

Fact Sheet: Augusta-Richmond County Smokefree Ordinance

Here's what is--and isn't--included in the smokefree ordinance for Augusta-Richmond County, which goes into effect Jan. 1, 2019.

1. All enclosed, indoor workplaces and public buildings are smokefree and vapefree.
2. Smoking or vaping may occur at a reasonable distance outdoors from a workplace or public building.
3. Golf courses and other outdoor spaces are NOT included in the ordinance.
4. All private and semi-private rooms in nursing homes are smokefree and vapefree.
5. At least 80 percent of hotel and motel rooms that are rented to guests are smokefree and vapefree.
6. The ordinance provides an exemption for hookah bars/lounges and retail electronic smoking device stores in existence at the date of the adoption of the ordinance. Private vehicles, private residences (unless they are used as a child care, adult day care or health facility) are also exempt.



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