

USEFUL CONTACTS

The council's website www.southlakeland.gov.uk has information on the forthcoming Regulations and links to other useful references.

We also strongly recommend you register to receive regular updates via your computer by visiting:

www.smokefreeengland.co.uk/stayinformed

0800 169 1697

If you have any further queries South Lakeland District Council's Environmental Health Department will be able to help on all general matters in helping to make your premises smokefree.

CONTACT THE FOOD AND SAFETY TEAM

0845 050 4434

HELP FOR SMOKERS WHO WANT TO QUIT

The NHS can provide free help and support.

Call the HELPLINE 0800 169 0169 or visit
www.gosmokefree.co.uk



GOING SMOKEFREE

From 1 July 2007, virtually all enclosed public places and workplaces in England will be healthier places to visit or work in.

That's the day when England becomes smokefree. From then on, smoking in these places will be a thing of the past – and against the law.

- Smokefree will benefit everyone by providing protection from harmful second hand smoke. The good news is that it's estimated that smokefree places will save thousands of lives over the next decade. The evidence against second-hand smoke is clear. It causes lung cancer, heart disease and other illnesses and triggers asthma attacks.

Smokefree will help the 7 out of 10 smokers who want to quit too. But most of all, it will help create a cleaner and healthier environment for everyone to visit or work in.

WHICH PLACES WILL BE SMOKEFREE?

- Nearly all enclosed public places and workplaces will become smokefree. These will include offices, factories, shops, pubs, membership clubs, public transport and work vehicles that are used by more than one person.



- The law will also mean that indoor smoking rooms will no longer be allowed. Anyone wishing to smoke will have to go outside instead.
- Public service vehicles and work vehicles used at anytime by more than one person in connection with their business or employment are also included.

SHOWING THAT YOU ARE SMOKEFREE

- From 1st July you will need to display the legally required signs at entrances to your premises and company vehicles. These signs will be available free from the Department of Health nearer the time.

ENFORCING SMOKEFREE

- While most people will comply those who do not may be liable to a fine or prosecution for the following offences:
 - Smoking in a smokefree place or vehicle.
 - Failure to display a no smoking sign.
 - Allowing smoking in a smokefree place or vehicle.

Although you are under no obligation to provide an external smoking shelter for staff/customers, if you wish to do so, please seek the advice of your planning authority first.

