

CITY OF DUNCAN
SECOND-HAND SMOKE HEALTH PROTECTION
INFORMATION AND SURVEY

The Province of BC, under New tobacco laws passed by the BC Legislature came into effect on **March 31, 2008**. These new laws were introduced to protect employees and the public from the harmful effects of secondhand smoke, and to limit the display and promotion of tobacco products to youth.

It is currently against the law to:

- smoke in most fully or substantially enclosed public places and workplaces.
- smoke within 3 metres of most public and workplace doorways and by open windows and air intakes.

A ban on tobacco use in schools and on school grounds was effective September 2 2007.

With the permission of the Province of BC, City Council can provide additional health protection from second-hand smoke to residents and visitors to the City of Duncan by adopting more stringent laws around smoking within City limits.

The following short survey will give City Council an indication of whether more stringent laws are desired by residents, business owners and visitors to the City in providing health protection to all.

Council was presented with a draft Bylaw that entails the prohibition of Smoking in all public spaces. This draft bylaw is being circulated prior to deliberation by Council so that any actual bylaw considered will take the public survey results into account.

Municipalities with similar Bylaws:

District of North Vancouver - instituted in 2010
Village of Pemberton - instituted in 2009
Port Moody – instituted in 2008
Surrey – instituted in 2008
White Rock – instituted in 2008
Whistler – instituted in 2009

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SURVEY

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Draft Bylaw

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