

Title 9 – Health and Safety

Chapter 9.50 – Public and Workplace Smoking Restrictions

Summary of Changes

On June 17, 2014, El Paso City Council passed Ordinance 018193 which amended the Public and Workplace Smoking Restrictions Ordinance previously approved in 2001.

The new smoking restrictions will be phased in as follows:

Phase I:

September 1, 2014 –

- Electronic cigarettes or any device that allows for combustion or conduction of a product for the purpose of inhaling smoke or vapor (e-cigarettes, vape pens, e-cigars, e-pipes, etc.) are prohibited everywhere that smoking is prohibited.
- Smoking is not allowed within 20 feet of entrances of all enclosed public places.

Phase II:

January 1, 2015

- City-owned enclosed and City-owned outdoor facilities will be non-smoking at all times, with the exception of designated places at the El Paso International Airport to include:
 - All sports arenas and stadiums
 - All parks and playgrounds
 - In and within 20 feet from the entrance of all outdoor public transportation stations, platforms, and shelters under the authority of the City

Phase III:

July 1, 2015

- Retail tobacco stores will be in isolated or contained physical facilities or will have isolated venting and air controls.

For additional information, visit www.EPHealth.com