

Board of Selectmen 'No Smoking' Resolution; Resolution to Adopt

RESOLUTION APPROVING A SMOKING BAN IN ALL PARKS AND RECREATIONAL AREAS OF DEEP RIVER

Whereas, it is the intent of the Board of Selectmen to regulate the location where tobacco products, nicotine products and cannabis products are used within the town's parks and recreational areas in order to protect public health and safety. Further, it is the intent of the Board of Selectmen to prevent exposure to second-hand smoke and vapor of tobacco, nicotine and cannabis products to its citizens.

Whereas, no person shall use, carry or smoke a lighted cigarette, cigar, cigarillo, pipe, or powered-on vaporizer device, or use cannabis-type substance including marijuana, as defined in Connecticut General Statutes Section 21a-240, in any form in or upon any park, playground, recreation area, athletic fields, trail, boat launch, beach, or area of assembly owned, leased or controlled by the Town of Deep River and the Deep River Parks and Recreation Commission as may be specifically designated by the Board of Selectman; provided however, that signs are posted in the area such as to reasonably warn persons that the area is subject to this 'No Smoking' ordinance.

Whereas, the Board of Selectmen propose a change to section 9, *Public Safety*, of the Town of Deep River's Ordinances and Special Acts, (*revised 12/04/2020*), to restrict smoking in all public parks, recreational areas and at the Town Landing and boat launch facility and Plattwood Park beach.

Whereas, violation of this smoking ban shall constitute an infraction which will result in a fine and/or expulsion from the public facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

That the Town of Deep River adopt this smoking ban in its parks and recreational areas as well calls to adopt the language of the resolution to include all municipal buildings and town properties and to introduce at town meeting this change to section 9, *Public Safety*, of the Town of Deep River's Ordinances and Special Acts, (*revised 12/04/2020*), for vote.

Dated this day of	2022
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