

# **Town of Londonderry**

## **Smoking and Tobacco Use Policy**

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to comply with 18 VSA §1421 and §1742, and to safeguard the health of the town's employees, residents, and visitors by providing a smoke-free environment in all town buildings and on all town properties.

### **Definitions**

'Tobacco products' here refers to any product designed for the consumption of tobacco or tobacco substitutes, including but not limited to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, snuff, chewing tobacco, e-cigarettes, or other electronic devices made for inhaling nicotine or other vapor.

### **Policy**

Smoking and the use of Tobacco Products is forbidden within any Town Building or vehicle or outdoors on any Town Property, including:

- Town Office (Twitchell Building)
- Town Garage
- Old Town Hall
- Transfer Station
- Town Parks

### **Timing**

It is the goal of the Select Board that all Town Properties are 100% smoke-free effective July 1, 2018. In the interest of easing the transition, a 50-foot 'buffer zone' will be implemented for Town Buildings, effective July 1, 2017. At that time and until July 1, 2018, smoking and the use of Tobacco Products will be permitted outdoors only at a distance of no less than 50 feet from any door or window of any of the Town Buildings.

### **Assistance with Quitting Tobacco Use**

The Town of Londonderry has partnered with The Collaborative to support and assist employees who want to quit. Please contact the Town of Londonderry (824-3356), The Collaborative (824-4200), or 802Quits (VT residents: 800-QUIT-NOW). More information can be found online at [www.802Quits.org](http://www.802Quits.org). Printed materials for quitting assistance are available at the Town Office.

This policy is hereby adopted by the Select Board of the Town of Londonderry, Vermont, this 1st day of May, 2017 and is effective until amended or repealed.

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Paul Gordon, Chair

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