

Sample Tenant Survey

The Purpose of the Survey: to assess tenant receptiveness to the adoption of a no smoking policy in your building or complex.

Definition of a no smoking policy: No smoking would be permitted in all units, balconies/patios, and common areas inside and outside. If desired, an area for smoking could be set aside outdoors, but at least 25 feet away from buildings and outdoor areas designated for recreation.

But if tenants complain about smoking in the designated smoking area, it should be discontinued.

Dear Valued Tenant:

We are concerned about the comfort and safety of our residents and strive to provide a pleasant and enjoyable living experience. In 2006, the U.S. Surgeon General released a report on secondhand smoke which stated that there is no safe level of exposure. According to the Surgeon General, secondhand smoke exposure can be particularly dangerous to sensitive populations such as children and people with heart or breathing problems. In addition, the California Air Resources Board (ARB), also in 2006, identified tobacco smoke as a Toxic Air Contaminant, as dangerous as the worst industrial air pollutants. The ARB regulates outdoor air, so there is now evidence that secondhand smoke is as dangerous in outdoor environments as in indoor environments.

We have decided to review our policy with regard to smoking in order to determine if it should be revised because of the above information. Please answer the following questions and return this survey to the management office.

1. Have you or a member of your household had the experience of tobacco smoke drifting into your unit? YES _____ NO _____
2. Has this happened multiple times? YES _____ NO _____
3. Would you and the members of your household prefer to live in a smokefree building?
YES _____ NO _____

Name (please print)

Unit number

Comments: (Please print) _____