

smoke-free bars

Guidelines for Bar Staff

The Law

From March 29, 2004 bars must be smoke-free

Smoking is not permitted in enclosed parts of the premises

Publicans cannot permit customers to smoke in enclosed parts of the premises

On conviction a person can be fined up to €3000

Why

Second-hand tobacco smoke causes cancer, heart disease, asthmatic attacks and many other serious illnesses

If Someone Breaks the Law

- 1 Draw their attention to No Smoking signs
- 2 Advise them that smoking is prohibited by law in the enclosed part of the premises
- 3 Show them to any place where smoking is permitted such as beer gardens or partially enclosed shelters
- 4 Refuse service to anyone who continues to smoke and ask them to leave
- 5 If a customer refuses to leave follow usual procedures for dealing with anti-social behaviour
- 6 If threatened seek the assistance of the Gardaí. Do not put yourself in danger



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