

Notification of the Ministry of Public Health**Re: Criteria and Procedures for Displaying Signs of Smoking and Nonsmoking Areas
B.E. 2551 (2008)****Translation**

By virtue of provisions of Section 4 (4) and Section 15 of the Non-Smoker's Health Protection Act, B.E. 2535 (1992), which is an Act containing certain provisions relating to restriction of personal rights and liberties, which, under Section 29 in conjunction with Section 32, Section 33, Section 41 and Section 43 of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand, may be made by virtue of the provisions of the law, the Minister of Public Health hereby issues a Notification as follows:

Clause 1

Notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No. 15), B.E. 2548 (2005), Re: Designation of Smoking and Non-smoking Area, dated 30 December 2005, shall be repealed.

Clause 2

Signs and display of the signs demonstrating the smoking area shall be in accordance with the following criteria and procedures.

- 2.1. Smoking area sign shall be a circle with white background and blue edge whose width is 1/10 of the diameter, which has a total length of not less than 10 centimeters. In the center of the circle, there shall be a roll of cigarette and black smoke. The width of the cigarette shall equal to that of the blue edge and the length of the cigarette shall not be less than 2/3 of the diameter. Close to the circle, there shall be a text reading "Smoking Area" or a similar text printed in red bold letters using Angsana New font or another similar font of not less than 50 points in size.
- 2.2. Smoking area sign shall be displayed clearly and easily seen within a place designated as a smoking area. In the event where such place has clear entrances, the smoking area sign shall be displayed at all of its entrances.

Clause 3

Signs and display of the signs demonstrating the nonsmoking area shall be in accordance with the following criteria and procedures.

- 3.1 In case of a public area where it is an outdoor area or the outdoor part of such area:
 - (1) Nonsmoking area sign shall be a circle with white background and red edge whose width is 1/10 of the diameter, which has a total length of not less than 10 centimeters. In the center of the circle, there shall be a roll of cigarette and black smoke crossed over by a red line. Width of the cigarette and the red line shall equal to that of the red edge whereas the length of the cigarette shall not be less than 2/3 of the diameter. Close to the circle, there shall be a text reading "No Smoking! Violator is subject to a fine of 2,000 Baht" or a similar text printed in red using Angsana New font or another similar font with the size of not less than 50 points.
 - (2) Nonsmoking area sign shall be displayed clearly and easily seen. In the event where such place has clear entrances, the smoking area sign shall be displayed at all of its entrances.
- 3.2 In case of a public area that is a building or construction or the building or construction part of such area:
 - (1) The sign demonstrating the nonsmoking area shall be as described in 3.1 (1).
 - (2) The nonsmoking area sign shall be displayed at all entrances to such area.
- 3.3 In case of a public area situated in a building, a construction or a vehicle, two different types of no smoking area signs shall be displayed as follows:
 - (1) The sign demonstrating the nonsmoking area shall be as described in 3.1 (1).

The nonsmoking area sign shall be displayed at all entrances to such area.

- (2) Nonsmoking area sign shall be a circle with white background and red edge whose width is 1/10 of the diameter, which has a total length of not less than 5 centimeters. In the center of the circle, there shall be a roll of cigarette and black smoke crossed over by a red line. Width of the cigarette and the red line shall equal to that of the red edge whereas the length of the cigarette shall not be less than 2/3 of the diameter. Close to the circle, there shall be a text reading "No Smoking! Violator is subject to a fine of 2,000 Baht" or a similar text printed in red using Angsana New font or another similar font with the size of not less than 25 points.

The nonsmoking area sign shall be displayed clearly and easily seen within such area.

3.4 In case of a public area, which is a vehicle:

- (1) The sign demonstrating the nonsmoking area shall be as described in 3.3 (2).
- (2) The nonsmoking area sign shall be displayed clearly and easily seen within the vehicle area.

In the event where other government agencies or state-owned enterprises issue particular regulations regarding designation of nonsmoking signs and display of such signs in vehicles, the operators shall be exempt from conforming to this Notification.

Clause 4

For a public area wholly designated as a nonsmoking area with an exception for a specifically designated smoking area, the operator may arrange for a text reading "Except for the area designated as a smoking area" or another text with similar meaning attached to the text reading "No Smoking! Violator is subject to a fine of 2,000 Baht."

Clause 5

For the nonsmoking sign under Clause 3 with the text reading "No Smoking! Violator is subject to a fine of 2,000 Baht" or another text of a similar meaning, the operator may arrange for the text with a similar meaning in English or other languages displayed at that public area.

Clause 6

For the smoking sign under Clause 2 and the nonsmoking sign under Clause 3, the operator may display as a permanent sign, a hanging sign, a desktop sign or a sticker sign has deemed appropriate.

Clause 7

This Notification shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the Government Gazette.

Notified on this 23rd day of January, B.E. 2551 (2008)

Mongkol Na Songkla as Minister of Public Health

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