

**Announcement of the Ministry of Public Health (No.7) B.E.2540 (1997)**

Subject: Designation of names or type of public places where non-smokers' health is under protection and designation of areas and premises of the place whereof as smoking or non-smoking areas.

**Translation**

By virtue of the power vested by the provision of Section 4 (1) and Section 15 of the Non-Smokers' Health Protection Act, B.E.2535, the Minister of the Ministry Public Health hereby prescribes this Announcement as follows:

**Article 1**

The Announcement of the Minister of Public Health (No.2) B.E.2535 (1992), Subject: Designation of names or type of public places where non-smokers' health is under protection and designation of areas and premises of the place whereof as smoking or non-smoking areas, dated 24 July B.E.2535 shall be repealed.

**Article 2**

The following public places shall be the places where non-smokers' health is under protection.

- (1) Commuter buses.
- (2) Taxicab.
- (3) Air-conditioned passenger train compartments.
- (4) Commuter boats.
- (5) Domestic flight commercial airliners.
- (6) Air-conditioned passenger lounges.
- (7) Passenger elevators.
- (8) Public telephone booths.
- (9) School buses.
- (10) Theatres.
- (11) Libraries
- (12) Mini-marts, barbers shops, tailor shops, beauty parlors, and drugstores only in the air-conditioned Sections.
- (13) Gymnasiums, only in the air-conditioned Sections.
- (14) Non boarding infirmaries.
- (15) Religious places, only in the Section where religious practices are performed.
- (16) Food courts and restaurants within shopping centers of department stores, only in the air-conditioned Sections.

All the public places as stipulated in the first paragraph shall, at operating hours, be deemed non-smoking areas.

**Article 3**

The following public places shall be the places where non-smoking' s health is under protection.

- (1) Schools or educational institutes of the secondary levels and under.
- (2) Buildings where art exhibitions are held, museums, and art exhibition halls.
- (3) Boarding infirmaries.
- (4) Pre-school nurseries.
- (5) Airports
- (6) Indoor stadiums.

The public places as stipulated in the first paragraph shall, at operating hours, be deemed non-smoking areas except in private quarters or private offices of the persons working in such public places.

#### **Article 4**

The following public places shall be the places where non-smokers' health is under protection.

- (1) Building of the universities, colleges, and educational institution of the university level.
- (2) Showrooms or exhibition buildings, only in the air-conditioned Sections.
- (3) Government and stated enterprise places.
- (4) Banks and financial institutions.
- (5) Air-conditioned offices.

The public places as stipulated in the first paragraph shall be deemed non-smoking areas except:

- (1) In private quarters or private office of the persons working in such public places.
- (2) In the areas specifically designated as "smoking areas". The designation of such areas shall be upon specific spots or places.

#### **Article 5**

Passenger train compartments without air-conditioning system shall be deemed the places where non-smoking' health is under protection.

The public places as stipulated in the first paragraph shall, at operating hours, be deemed non-smoking areas except in the compartment provided as smoking areas which shall not exceed 25 percent of the total non-air conditioned compartments of the train.

#### **Article 6**

Food selling places and catering places, only in the air-conditioned areas shall be deemed places where non-smokers' health is under protection.

The public places as stipulated in the first paragraph shall, at operating hours, be deemed non-smoking areas except in the places provided as smoking areas which shall not exceed 25 percent of the total area of each place.

#### **Article 7**

This announcement shall enter into force after ninety days as from the day of its publication in the Government Gazette.

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Signed by Mr. Montri Pongpanich  
Minister of the Ministry of Public Health

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