

100% SMOKEFREE CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES

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Federal

In July 2004, the Federal Bureau of Prisons made all facilities under its control 100% smokefree. Correctional facility inmates, employees, and visitors must observe the policy. The [American Jail Association](#), the American Correctional Association, and the [National Commission on Correctional Health](#) (NCCHC) have adopted smokefree resolutions that promote smokefree policies in jails and prisons – these are recommendations not mandates. For additional information on health services in the nation's correctional facilities, visit the NCCHC website at <http://www.ncchc.org/>.

States and Commonwealths

Correctional facilities are **100% smokefree and tobacco-free indoors and outdoors** on all grounds:

[Arkansas](#)

Georgia*

Maine

[Michigan](#)

Minnesota

[Nebraska](#)

[Nevada](#)[^]

North Carolina

[Ohio](#)

Rhode Island

[South Carolina](#)

Virginia

Wyoming

Correctional facilities are **100% smokefree indoors and outdoors** on all grounds:

Iowa

Louisiana

Puerto Rico

Correctional facilities are **100% smokefree and tobacco-free indoors**:

California[^] (employee housing exempt)

Colorado

Idaho

Kentucky (except Eddyville State Penitentiary)

Montana

New Hampshire

Oklahoma

Texas

Utah

[Vermont](#)

Washington

Correctional facilities are **100% smokefree indoors**:

Delaware

Hawaii

Illinois

Indiana

Kansas

Maryland

Massachusetts

New York

Oregon

South Dakota[^]

Tennessee

* All correctional facilities in Georgia will be tobacco-free as of December 1, 2010. Starting 1/1/2010, tobacco use is prohibited at two diagnostic facilities; the Augusta State Medical Prison is tobacco-free 7/1/2010, and all state prisons will follow 12/1/2010.

[^] Tobacco for ritual tribal use is permitted.

Other State Correctional Facility Laws

Florida: Facilities are [required to be smokefree](#) indoors, except for maximum security inmate housing areas and employee housing on state correctional facility grounds.

West Virginia: Facilities run by the West Virginia Regional Jail and Correctional Facility Authority are tobacco-free. Facilities run by the West Virginia Division of Corrections are not smokefree.

Local

The following locations' correctional facilities are 100% smokefree indoors:

- Jefferson County Correctional Facility, FL (tobacco-free)
- Riker Island Jail, NY
- Pamlico Correctional Institution, NC
- [Dane County Prison, WI](#)

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