

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](#)

[Colorado](#)

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)

Florida

Idaho

Kentucky (except Eddyville State Penitentiary)

Montana

New Hampshire

[New Mexico](#)

Texas

Utah

[Vermont](#)

Washington

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

[Alaska](#)

[Arizona](#)

[Connecticut](#)

Delaware

Hawaii

Illinois

Indiana

Kansas

Massachusetts

New Jersey

New York

Oklahomaⁱ

Oregon

Pennsylvania

South Dakota[^]

Tennessee

Maryland

Wisconsin

Other State Correctional Facility Laws

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.

Sources: Based on correspondence with representatives from states' departments of correctional facilities, analysis of state laws, department policies available online, and news clips, 2008-2011.

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ⁱ As of August 2, 2010, smoking is permitted in outdoor areas of Oklahoma's minimum-security prisons, and cigarette sales are allowed. All other Oklahoma correctional facilities are 100% smokefree and tobacco-free indoors.

[^] Tobacco for ritual tribal use is permitted.