

# HARRIETSTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY

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LAKE FLOWER APARTMENTS  
ALGONQUIN APARTMENTS  
SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE



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## HARRIETSTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY SMOKING POLICY

Effective Date: 01/01/10

**PURPOSE:** This policy was developed for the following reasons:

1. To protect tenants from second hand smoke.
2. To protect lives and property from fires due to smoking.
3. To encourage smoking cessation.
4. Eliminate costs associated with smoke damage in apartments.

### DEFINITION OF SMOKING:

The definition of smoking is inhaling, exhaling, using, carrying, or disposing of any lighted cigar, cigarette, or other tobacco product or similar lighted product in any manner or in any form.

### NO-SMOKING REGULATIONS:

1. There will be no smoking allowed anywhere in any of our buildings or common spaces by residents, guests or staff. Smoking will be permitted outside at both sites with the following exceptions: under the community room or on the deck and back patio at Lake Flower; around the community room at Algonquin.
1. All current tenants who smoke will be provided with the opportunity to participate in a smoking cessation program. Our Resident Services Coordinator will provide information on cessation program accessibility.
2. Effective January 1, 2010, ALL visitors, guests, aides and contractors will be required to abide by the No-Smoking Policy.

### HOUSE RULES ARE PART OF YOUR LEASE:

**This No-Smoking Policy will be incorporated into your lease. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS POLICY IS A VIOLATION OF YOUR LEASE, AND GROUNDS FOR**

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**EVICTION.** All residents will be required to sign this Addendum to the lease, acknowledging their compliance with this No-Smoking Policy.

In addition to eviction, Residents who violate this policy will be financially responsible for any damage resulting from smoking, such as increased maintenance, cleaning and turnover costs.

**RESIDENTS' RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER NO-SMOKING POLICY:**

Residents agree and acknowledge that the apartment to be occupied by the Residents and common spaces located in the Lake Flower and Algonquin apartment complexes within the buildings has been designated as No-Smoking under this No-Smoking Policy. Residents shall comply with the No-Smoking Policy.

Residents shall be responsible to inform guests, visitors and/or aides of the No-Smoking Policy and Residents shall insure their guests, visitors and/or aides comply with this No-Smoking Policy. Residents will be financially responsible for any costs incurred by Better Community Housing due to violation of the No-Smoking Policy by guests, visitors and/or aides. Further, Residents shall promptly notify Harrietstown Housing Authority of any violations of the No-Smoking Policy that Residents observe.

**DISCLAIMER BY HARRIETSTOWN HOUSING AUTHORITY:**

Residents acknowledge that Harrietstown Housing Authority's adoption of the No-Smoking Policy does not in any way change the standard of care that has to the Residents apartments and the common spaces.

Harrietstown Housing Authority specifically disclaims any implied or express warranties that the air quality in the apartment or the building containing the apartment will improve or be any better than any other rental property. Harrietstown Housing Authority does not warrant or promise that the apartment or the building containing the apartment will be smoke-free.

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