

Appendix A – Additional Information

Ontario Regulation 268/18 will further protect Ontarians from second hand smoke and vapour by prohibiting the smoking of tobacco, the use of an e-cigarette and the smoking of medical cannabis in additional places that were not prohibited under the SFOA or ECA:

- Public areas within 20 metres from the perimeter of the grounds of elementary and secondary schools
- The outdoor grounds of a community recreation facility, and public areas within 20 metres of the perimeter of the grounds
- Public areas within nine metres of a restaurant or bar patios

The SFOA, 2017 and its regulation set out limited exemptions for the smoking of tobacco, the use of e-cigarettes, and the smoking and vaping of medical cannabis in:

- Controlled rooms in residential care facilities (e.g., long-term care homes, certain retirement homes, publicly funded supportive housing), designated psychiatric facilities and designated veterans' facilities.
- Guest rooms in hotels, motels and inns that have been designated by the proprietor or employer to accommodate smoking and vaping.
- Scientific research and testing facilities, if the smoking or vaping is for the purpose of conducting research or testing concerning tobacco, vapour products or cannabis.

The SFOA, 2017 and its regulation also include an exemption for the smoking and vaping of medical cannabis and the use of e-cigarettes inside controlled rooms in residential hospices.

In addition, this regulation supports the implementation of the SFOA, 2017 by prescribing rules regarding required signage for vendors and retailers, conditions for controlled areas, and places where the sale of tobacco and vapour products is prohibited.