May 16, 2022

It is the intent of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Winchester, Connecticut, to add an ordinance entitled “Smoking & Cannabis Use Ordinance.” Action on this ordinance may take place at the Board of Selectmen’s meeting on June 6, 2022, at 7:00 PM at Winchester Town Hall (338 Main Street, Winsted, CT 06098).

Attn: Town of Winchester, CT Website – Legal Notices
Chapter XX

SMOKING & CANNABIS USE

§ XX-1. Smoking and vaping restricted.
No person shall use, light, or smoke a lighted cigarette, cigar, cigarillo, vape product, pipe, or other smoking or vaping paraphernalia, as defined in the Connecticut General Statutes, in any form in or upon any building, park, playground, recreation area, athletic facility, beach, or area of assembly owned, leased, or controlled by the Town of Winchester as may be specifically designated by the Winchester Board of Selectmen.

§ XX-2. Use of cannabis on Town land restricted.
No person shall use, light, smoke, or otherwise consume cannabis products including, but not limited to vape pens, edibles, cigarettes, and other related products as defined in the Connecticut General Statutes, in any form in or upon any building, park, playground, recreation area, athletic facility, beach, or area of assembly owned, leased, or controlled by the Town of Winchester as may be specifically designated by the Winchester Board of Selectmen.

§ XX-3. Use of cannabis in outdoor sections of restaurants restricted.
No restaurant shall permit the use or consumption of cannabis products including, but not limited to vape pens, edibles, cigarettes, and other related products as defined in the Connecticut General Statutes, in any form at outdoor sections of its facility that it in any way owns, leases, or controls, and the restaurant shall be held responsible for infractions to this Section.

§ XX-4. Penalties for offenses.
Violation of § XX-1 of this chapter shall constitute an infraction as defined in Connecticut General Statutes § 51-164m and/or may be punishable by a municipal fine of $50.

Violation of § XX-2 of this chapter shall constitute an infraction as defined in Connecticut General Statutes § 51-164m and may be punishable by a fine of $50.

Violation of § XX-3 of this chapter shall constitute an infraction as defined in Connecticut General Statutes § 51-164m and may be punishable by a fine of not more than $1,000 for the restaurant at which the infraction occurred.

§ XX-5. Enforcement.
Members of the Winchester Police Department shall be charged with the enforcement of this chapter and may issue an infraction summons or a citation for infractions as defined herein. Additionally, agents and employees of the Town of Winchester including coaches or officials participating in any athletic event in or upon any Town-owned athletic or recreation facility are authorized to enforce this chapter through the exclusion of the violator from the athletic event or recreational facility.

§ XX-6. When effective.
This chapter shall be effective fifteen (15) calendar days following the Board of Selectmen’s adoption of the ordinance.
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§ XX-2. Use of cannabis on Town land restricted.
No person shall use, light, smoke, or otherwise consume cannabis products including, but not limited to vape pens, edibles, cigarettes, and other related products as defined by SB 1201, See §84in the Connecticut General Statutes, in any form in or upon any building, park, playground, recreation area, athletic facility, beach, or area of assembly owned, leased, or controlled by the Town of Winchester as may be specifically designated by the Winchester Board of Selectmen.

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§ XX-4. Penalties for offenses.
Violation of § XX-1 of this chapter shall constitute an infraction as defined in Connecticut General Statutes § 51-164m and/or may be punishable by a municipal fine of not more than $400.

Violation of § XX-2 of this chapter shall constitute an infraction as defined in SB 1201 Connecticut General Statutes § 51-164m and may be punishable by a fine of not more than $50.

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