

September 5, 2019

Notice to all CHH Community Partners and Contractors

In the interest of the health of tenants and staff, as well as the quality of indoor air and enjoyment of the premises, CityHousing Hamilton (CHH) is pleased to inform you that effective January 1, 2020, a no-smoking policy will apply to all CHH buildings and smoking will be prohibited, in tenant's units, outside balconies and patios.

Current tenants with an existing tenancy agreement, will NOT be affected by this policy. All existing tenants will be 'grandfathered' (exempted) for the duration of their tenancies or until they choose to move out. Should they apply for another unit in the same building or other properties owned by CHH they will be required to sign a new tenancy agreement that will include the no-smoking policy. As a current tenant, if they would like to sign an Addendum to their tenancy agreement that contains the new no-smoking policy we are willing to do so. That request can be made through their Property Manager.

All new tenants will be required to sign tenancy agreements that include a no-smoking clause. The no-smoking policy states that smoking of any lit tobacco, cannabis or shisha in the rental unit or on the residential property is prohibited.

We are moving in the direction of protecting people from the known hazards of exposure to second-hand smoke. In line with the policies enacted by our local and provincial governments to protect the public from second-hand smoke, creating smoke-free buildings will provide a healthy and safe environment for all our tenants, staff and service personnel.

As we transition to no-smoking environments over time, your cooperation is appreciated. Please inform all of your staff of these changes and request that they set a good example by smoking 9 metres away from all property exits.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

Property Manager
CityHousing Hamilton