

DIGHTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

Smoke Free Policy

Due to the increased risks of fire and the known health effects of second-hand smoke the Dighton Housing Authority has decided to go smoke free in all grounds, buildings, and apartments located at Lincoln Village, 300 Lincoln Avenue, North Dighton, MA 02764. This policy is to protect both smokers and non-smokers from second-hand smoke exposure.

On August 15, 2014, the Smoke Free Policy will be phased in as follows:

Current Residents: Any resident housed prior to August 14, 2014 will have a one year grace period before they will have to comply with the Smoke Free Policy. Compliance for residents housed prior to August 14, 2014 will become effective on August 15, 2015.

Applicants: Effective August 15, 2014 any Applicants that become residents of Lincoln Village must immediately comply with the Smoke Free Policy upon move-in.

Definition of Smoking: The term "smoking" means inhaling, exhaling, breathing, or carrying or possessing any lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe or other tobacco product or other lighted product in any manner or in any form.

It is important to understand that smoke-free housing does not mean that smokers are prohibited from living at Lincoln Village. It simply means that tenants, and visitors must smoke elsewhere.

Approved by Board Action at its Tuesday, October 21, 2014, Meeting.