



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
Inter-Office Memorandum

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From: William D. Ankner, Ph.D. *WDA*  
Director

Subject: **NO SMOKING IN THE WORKPLACE**

In accordance with the provisions of the Rhode Island Workplace Smoking Pollution Control Act and by agreement with the appropriate collective bargaining agents, effective immediately **smoking will be banned in the Department of Transportation Headquarters Office Building, 2 Capitol Hill**. This total smoking ban includes Room 115A (next to "Dong's"), and Room 360 (adjacent to the elevator), as well as the building's vestibules and stairwells, parking garage, (including personal vehicles parked in the garage), and loading docks. Smoking is prohibited in all individual offices and at all meetings sponsored by the State. Employee smoking is permitted on State grounds provided that it occurs beyond fifty (50) feet from the edifice.

Due to the acknowledged hazards arising from exposure to environmental tobacco smoke it is the policy of the State to provide the employees a work environment that offers the opportunity to optimize their personal health and well being.

Smokers who wish to quit are encouraged to contact the Rhode Island Lung Association at 421-6487 or the American Cancer Society at 722-8480 for information on smoking cessation. A help line for those who wish to quit is also available. That number is 1-800-622-7422.

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