

APPLICABILITY

This regulation is applicable to all building types. Refer to Table 101.07 (1) in Section One - Administration for detailed applicability levels.

IMPLEMENTATION

Annexure of DM Administrative Resolution No 92 – 2009 - “Regulating Smoking in Public Places”, titled ‘Manual of Regulating Smoking in Public Places’, details the restrictions and requirements for smoking in public places.

In accordance with Local Order No. (11) of 2003 - Concerning Public Health and Safety of the Society in the Emirate of Dubai, smoking is strictly prohibited in all public areas including shopping centres, hotels, restaurants, government buildings, hospitals, healthcare facilities, commercial buildings, common accommodation, coffee shops and amusement and entertainment or any other places determined by Dubai Municipality, except for places in which smoking is permitted. Smoking from electric cigarettes is also prohibited in all public areas. Places where smoking is permitted are determined in accordance with the conditions listed in the Manual of Regulating Smoking in Public Places issued by DM. An annual permit is issued from the competent department of Dubai Municipality for all places where smoking is permitted, upon submission of all required documents and drawings mentioned in the guideline.

If permitted, external designated smoking areas shall be identified at least 7.5m away from the entrances of the building, doors and operable windows and outdoor air intakes of ventilation systems. Design drawings shall highlight the requirements detailing the distance to nearest openings and ventilation air intake systems. Additionally, designated smoking areas shall comply with requirements of DM Administrative Resolution No 92, which includes requirements like smoking rooms, self-closing doors etc., and ventilation and negative pressurisation requirements that needs to be followed for the smoking rooms. Design team shall consider the additional ventilation requirements to prevent the leakage between smoking and non-smoking areas by creating negative pressure during closed and open condition. Appropriate signage as shown in fig. 401.11(1) should be in place indicating prohibition of smoking.

Smoking Prohibition Signage



Building Entrance Signage



Designated Area Signage



Fig 401.11(1): Signage for Smoking Prohibition

For residential buildings and hotel rooms, except public areas where smoking is allowed, all operable windows and doors leading to public areas or outdoor spaces shall be weather sealed properly to prevent leakage of ETS to adjacent rooms.