# La Joya SHS Ordinance Profile by Protection Level, Setting Details, and Enforcement and Penalties

INDIVIDUAL MUNICIPALITY ORDINANCE BACKGROUND					
Municipality	La Joya	Population	3,985		
County	Hidalgo	Public Health Region	11		
History	Current	Passage Date	6/13/2017		
PROTECTION LEVEL					
SETTING					
Municipal Worksites	100% Smoke Free	Bars – In Restaurants	100% Smoke Free		
Private Sector Worksites	100% Smoke Free	Bars – Not in Restaurants	100% Smoke Free		
Restaurants	100% Smoke Free				

\*100% Smoke Free (5) - No smoking allowed in a particular setting; Moderate (4) - Designated smoking areas are allowed if separately ventilated; Mixed (3) - Coverage is partial due to exceptions, ambiguities, or legal issues; Limited (2) - Designated smoking areas allowed or required; No Coverage (1) - No restrictions on smoking. Minor exceptions may exist.

#### **DEFINITION OF SMOKING**

Smoking defined as: Cigar, cigarette, electronic or digital smoking device, pipe, lighted or heated tobacco, nicotine, or plant product

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SETTING DETAIL					
BARS		In Restaurants	Not in Restaurants		
Bars Defined by % of Sales of Alcohol		No	No		
Age Restriction		No	No		
Restriction for outdoor seating		No	No		
If bars are stated, but no distinction made between bars located in restaurants and/or those not in restaurants, it is assumed that restrictions and/exemptions apply equally to both.					
WORKSITES		Municipal	Private		
Exemption for minimum number of em	ployees	Yes	Yes		
Number of Employees		1	1		
Non-retaliation		Yes	Yes		
Non-smoker's rights		No	No		
Written policy		No	No		
Signage		Yes	Yes		
RESTAURANTS		RADIUS FROM OUTSIDE DOORS			
Exemption for minimum seating	No	Exempt	No		
Number of seats		Restriction	Yes		
Signage	Yes	Distance in Feet	25		
Restriction for outdoor seating	No				

### **ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES**

## ENFORCEMENT

Enforcement Authority: Law officer, fire official, other city official, business representative, private individual

PENALTY	To Business	To Smoker
Penalty	Yes	Yes
Fine	Yes	Yes
Minimum/Maximum	\$0/\$200	\$0/\$200
Increase for Subsequent Fine	Yes	Yes
Minimum/Maximum for 2 <sup>nd</sup> Offense	\$0/\$500	\$0/\$500
Minimum/Maximum for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Offense	\$0/\$2,000	\$0/\$2,000
Minimum/Maximum for Subsequent Offenses	\$0/\$2,000	\$0/\$2,000
Other Penalties	No	No
Loss of License (business) or Violation Notice (smoker)	No	No
Criminal Charge	No	No
Increase in Other Penalties for Subsequent Offenses	No	No

### **NARRATIVE SUMMARY**

Smoking is prohibited (100% smoke free) in municipal worksites, private worksites, restaurants, bars in restaurants, and bars not in restaurants. Fines up to \$2,000 exist for violations by businesses and smokers. Law officers, fire officials, other city officials, business representatives, and private individuals are enforcers.