



Auckland Council has a policy to make Tāmaki Makaurau smokefree by 2025.

This covers all council-owned spaces and a range of public places including parks, sports fields, transport hubs, popular beaches, urban centres, plazas and squares across the region.

As part of this, restaurants, bars and cafés with a council licence to use pavement space for outdoor dining will be required to make those areas smokefree as part of their licence condition. The change will take place when they renew their outdoor dining licences.

All this means you'll be seeing a lot more smokefree signs appearing in the city and in areas where smoking is not allowed.

The overall objective is to ensure people can enjoy outdoor areas safe from breathing in second-hand tobacco smoke – and to make it easier for smokers trying to quit.

Only businesses with outdoor dining licences will be required to enforce the smokefree spaces. But council hopes all businesses will get behind the 'smokefree movement' that is gaining wide public acceptance.

To support businesses, the council is offering free smokefree signs to cafés, restaurants, bars and businesses. They can be ordered on our website. There are lots of options, so businesses can order sizes that best suit them.

- You can read about the smokefree policy and order or download smokefree signs at www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/smokefree

