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Washington State Ferries

No Smoking on WSF Vessels

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Policy

In compliance with RCW 47.56.730, smoking tobacco products of any kind is prohibited on all Washington State Ferries, except in designated outdoor areas on the aft weather deck and only while the vessel is underway.

In addition, 46 CFR 78.40-10 requires that appropriate "No Smoking" signs are posted and that all necessary precautions are taken to prevent smoking on the vehicle deck.

Objective

To minimize the potential impact of secondhand smoke on nonsmoking customers by providing outdoor smoke-free areas as well as providing clearly designated smoking areas onboard WSF ferries.

Responsibility

Master

Procedure

Public Announcement

Upon departure, the following announcement shall be made according to vessel class:

Super, Issaquah, Issaquah 130, Evergreen State, Steel Electric, Rhododendron, Hiyu, Skagit/Kalama, Chinook/Snohomish Classes:

"Your attention, please. Smoking is not allowed in any area while this vessel is in the dock. Once the vessel leaves the dock, smoking is permitted on the outdoor passenger decks at the rear of this ferry. Smoking is not allowed on the car deck at any time. Thank you for complying with these regulations."

Jumbo Class:

"Your attention, please. Smoking is not allowed in any area while this vessel is in the dock. Once the vessel leaves the dock, smoking is permitted on the solarium and lower shelter decks at the rear of this ferry. Smoking is not allowed on the car deck at any time. Thank you for complying with these regulations."

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Jumbo Mark II:

"Your attention, please. Smoking is not allowed in any area while this vessel is in the dock. Once the vessel leaves the dock, smoking is permitted on the sun deck at the rear of this ferry. Smoking is not allowed on the car deck at any time. Thank you for complying with these regulations."

Posted Notices

Notices shall be posted at both ends of the vessel. If notices have been removed, vessel crews can order more from the Customer Information Office.

No Smoking Cards

Small cards reiterating the applicable state regulation shall be available for crew members to hand to people not observing the smoking policy. Deck personnel shall make regular rounds on the passenger deck. Customers who consistently refuse to comply with this law shall be documented and reported to the State Patrol. These cards also can be secured by contacting the Customer Information Office.

Reference

The following are related procedures:

Passenger Cabin Patrols
(DECK OPER 0070)

Deck Patrols
(DECK OPER 0080)

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(HRST GENR 0050)