# 2017-18 Island Health Report to CRD Board

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Improving Health Outcomes For All Populations





**Education...**is a key tenant for preventing the use of tobacco, vapour products, and cannabis. For Island Health's Enforcement Officers it is a priority.















# Promotional Products for Events

## Popular

- Visors
- Lanyards
- Frisbees
- Pencils
- Pens
- Hashtag squishies
- Glass-cleaning clothes

## New in 2018

- Post-it notes
- Notepads



















# **Education & Awareness**

Public education and awareness of the Clean Air Bylaw has been promoted through attendance at events such as:

- Rifflandia
- Buccaneer Days
- Touch of Saltspring
- Beer Festival
- Car Free YYJ
- Men's Health Fair
- Flamenco Festival
- LGBTQ2 Aboriginal Youth Festival
- Sporting Events
- Recreation Centres and Hospitals



# **Education & Awareness**

## **Signage 2017-18**

### Distribution, Education, Inspections

- Clean Air Bylaw Inspections include signage distribution throughout the CRD and the Gulf Islands.
- Signage templates are provided on the Island Health Clean Air Bylaw website.
- ✓ 3924 Clean Air Bylaw Inspections were conducted.
- ✓ 126 signage packages were delivered to new and existing businesses.
- 2 strata properties per week requested and received signage for their building.











# **Education & Awareness**

# Island Health Website CRD Clean Air

- Island Health maintains the CRD Clean Air Bylaw web page.
- The Website includes information on:
  - Clean air benefits
  - ✓ Enforcement of the bylaw
  - ✓ Resources FAQ's, Info sheets
  - Contact details
  - Downloadable and printable signs and pamphlets
  - ✓ Links to resources for Quitting



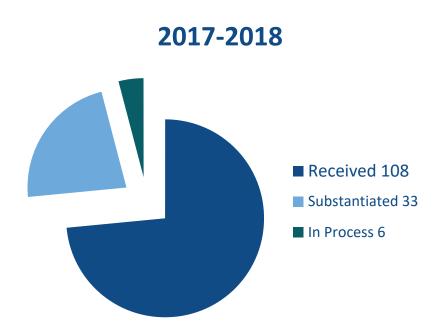
- Between April 2017 and March 2018 the Clean Air Bylaw website was accessed 1,192 times.
- The Clean Air Bylaw website is the most viewed page of the Island Health Tobacco website.







# **Complaints**



Substantiated Complaints		
Bus Stops	10	
General Buildings	10	
Parks/Athletic Fields	1	
Playgrounds	0	
Public Squares	1	
Restaurants	5	
Retailer Locations	6	
Shopping Malls	0	







Effective
enforcement in
regulatory
practice
incorporates both
preventative and
restrictive
strategies



(Baldwin, Cave, & Lodge, 2012).





# Enforcement



On the preventative and corrective end of the continuum are positive, enabling, and supportive enforcement strategies, and at the opposite end, are restrictive, directive, or prescriptive enforcement methods (Colbert, 2014).

### 2018-19 Enforcement:

- ✓ Ticketing will be utilized for ongoing non-compliance or a first time offences when warranted.
- ✓ Island Health has/will collaborate with the CRD Bylaw Enforcement Officers when appropriate.

# Non-compliance violations with the Clean Air Bylaw

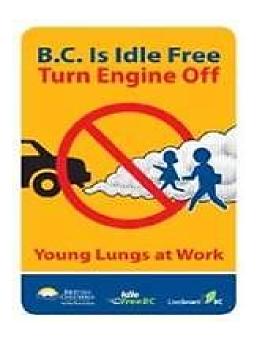




Part	Prohibitions	Quantity
2(1)(b)	Smoking in any designated public space	1
2(1)(d)	Smoking inside any part of a building or structure	2
2(1)(e)	Smoking in an area where food & beverage are served	1
2(1)(g)	Smoking within 7M of a door, window, or air intake	11
2(1)(h)	Smoking within 7M of a bus stop	6
2(2)(q)	Smoking inside any part of a building or structure	1
2(2)(b)	Smoking in an area where food & beverages are served	1
3(1)(a)	Signage must be displayed at the main entrance of a park	1
3(1)(d)	Signage must be displayed at each entrance of a building	14
3(2)	Signage displayed must include "Smoking is prohibited within 7 meters of openings into this building or structure including doors & windows that open & any air intake	2
4(1)(a)(b)	Signage must display a "No smoking" symbol	4
4(2)	Former CRD Bylaw Nos. 2217 & 2401	2



# Idling, Tanning & Tattoo Bylaws



Substantiated Complaints		
Tattoo Premise Routine Inspections	22	
Tattoo Premise Initial Inspections	6	
Tattoo Premise Complaints	0	
Idling Complaints	7	
Public Squares	0	

Environmental Health Officers (EHO's) enforce through inspection, complaint follow-up and investigations.







Increased
alignment
between the CRD
Clean Air Bylaw
and the provincial
legislation will
enable residents to
clearly understand
and comply with
the Clean Air
Bylaw.

# Moving Forward

- September 1, 2016 new laws came into effect regarding the sale, display, promotion and use of tobacco and vapour products.
- The legislation was expanded to include:
  - e-cigarettes and vapour products and
  - ✓ Increasing the smoke free buffer zone from 3 to 6 metres around doors, windows and air intakes
- The CRD Clean Air Bylaw requires amendments to bring it into alignment with changes to the 2016 provincial legislation.







# Moving Forward

Island Health recommends expanding the definitions within the Clean Air Bylaw to include the following:

- "burning" means to produce smoke, vapour, aerosol or other substances that can be inhaled;
- "smoke" or "smoking" includes burning a cigarette or cigar, or burning or heating any substance using a pipe, hookah pipe, lighted smoking device or vapourizing device.











## **Front Runners**

## **Cannabis Legalisation**

- Federal Government legalizing non-medical cannabis September 2018.
- Provincial Government of British Columbia has issued decisions related to cannabis legalization.
- Smoking of marijuana will be allowed in spaces where tobacco and vaping are permitted.
- Smoking or vaping of medical marijuana will be banned in areas frequented by children, including community beaches, parks and playgrounds.









# Moving Forward

## **Cannabis Legalisation**



Local governments will be able to set their own restrictions as they do for tobacco and vaping.







# **Moving Forward**







The Capital Regional District Bylaw No. 3962 makes all parks, playgrounds, playing fields, public squares and bus stops smokefree. It also extends smoke-free buffer zones outside of business doorways, windows and air intakes to seven metres.

The use of tobacco, vapour devices and marijuana is strictly prohibited.







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