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The weather is getting warmer and due to an increase in inquiries, and complaints, regarding patio rules, we have put together the following guidelines:

Pets and Service Animals

CAN MY PET SIT ON A BAR OR RESTAURANT PATIO?

- No, per the FDA 2009 Food Code Section 6-501.115 Prohibiting Animals, only service animals are allowed on a restaurant or bar patio.

WHAT IS A SERVICE ANIMAL?

- A service animal is defined as a dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for a person with disabilities.
- A service animal is not a pet.
- An animal whose sole function is to provide comfort or emotional support does not qualify as a service animal under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- Under the ADA, a service animal must be under control.

WHERE CAN A SERVICE ANIMAL GO?

- Under the ADA, state and local governments, businesses, and non-profit organizations that serve the public generally must allow service animals to accompany people with disabilities in all areas of the facility where the public is normally allowed to go.
- An establishment that sells or prepares food must allow service animals in public areas.

For more information about these guidelines or the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), please visit the website or call the toll-free number:

- www.ADA.gov , Voice: 800-514-0301, TTY: 800-514-0383

Smoke Free Air Act (SFAA)

The SFAA requires businesses, state, county and city governments to post "No Smoking" signs at every entrance to places where smoking is prohibited.

BARS WITH NO FOOD

- Smoking is prohibited in all enclosed areas of a bar. This includes offices, doorways, restrooms, hallways and storage rooms.
- Smoking is not regulated in unenclosed outdoor patios or other outdoor areas of the bar.

RESTAURANTS WITH OR WITHOUT ALCOHOL

- Smoking is prohibited in all enclosed areas of a restaurant. This includes kitchens, offices, doorways, restrooms, hallways and storage areas.
- Smoking is regulated in any outdoor areas of the restaurant where seating or service of food or drink takes place.
- Smoking is not regulated in a defined outdoor area with NO seating or service of food or drinks.

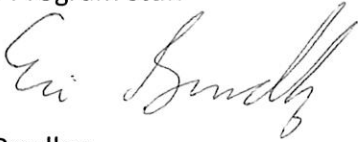
For more information about the regulations or the SFAA please visit their website or call the toll free number:

- www.iowaSmokefreeair.gov, 888-944-2247


Please call the Scott County Health Department with any questions: 563-326-8618. We look forward to working with you and your staff to help provide safe and enjoyable outdoor dining options in our community.

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