



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
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MUNICIPALITY OF GENERAL TRIAS

# OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

## MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 15-04

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SB Member Christopher N. Custodio  
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**DECLARING ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE OFFICES AND INSTITUTIONS LIKE SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS, CHURCHES, PUBLIC MARKET AND OTHER BUILDINGS AS WELL AS TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GENERAL TRIAS SMOKE-FREE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.**

**WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Local Government Unit of General Trias to promote the health and welfare of its citizens; and towards the end, safeguard public health and ensure the physical well-being of smokers and nonsmokers alike by discouraging cigarette smoking and tobacco use;**

**WHEREAS, thorough study reveals that smoking and the effects of secondhand smoke pose serious health hazards to every individual; and the World Health Organization (WHO), in its latest survey, reported that 3.5 to 4 million people all over the world die each year from smoking and inhaling of secondary smoke;**

**WHEREAS, while thousands of Filipinos addicted to tobacco smoking die due to lung cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, coronary artery disease or cerebrovascular disease, secondhand smoke exposure also causes numerous health problems including asthma, pneumonia, bronchitis and ear infections among children. Pregnant women, on the other hand, can have a greater chance of premature birth, low birth weight and long term health effect on the development of the child;**

**WHEREAS, the right of the general public to a cigarette and tobacco smoke-free environment shall be ensured by a ban on smoking in public conveyances, all public buildings and enclosed public places;**

**WHEREFORE, on motion of SB Member Kerby J. Salazar duly seconded by SB Member Jonas Glyn P. Labuguen, SB Member Walter C. Martinez, SB Member Christopher N. Custodio, SB Member Richard R. Parin, SB Member Mario C. Amante, SB Member Florencio D. Ayos, SB Member Jowie S. Carampot and SB Member Gary A. Grepo, be it**

**ENACTED, AS IT IS HEREBY ENACTED** by the Sangguniang Bayan of General Trias, Cavite, by virtue of the powers vested in it by law, in session assembled that:

**Section 1. This Ordinance shall be known as the "ANTI-SMOKING ORDINANCE OF GENERAL TRIAS".**

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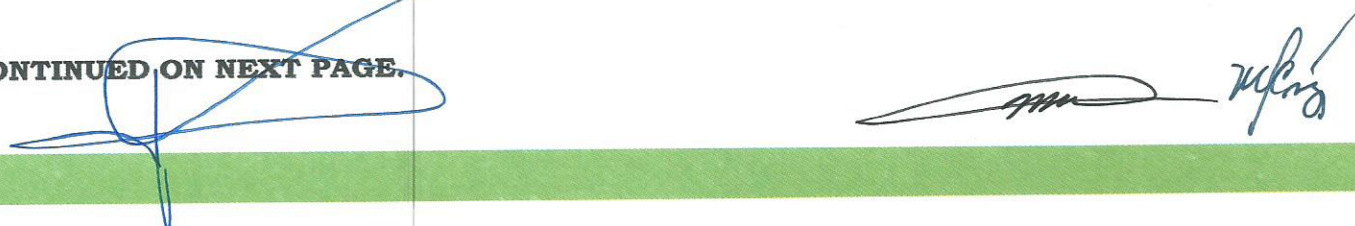
  
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**Section 2. Definition of Terms - As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this Section, unless the context of their usage indicates another meaning:**

**Cigar - a small roll of tobacco leaves prepared for smoking.**

**Cigarette - roll of finely cut leaf tobacco, or any substitute thereof, wrapped in paper or any other material.**

**Designated Smoking Area - refers to an indoor area where smoking is allowed, physically separated from the smoke-free area equipped with effective and strong ventilation so that smoke emanating there from does not drift, permeate, or recirculate into any smoke-free area. Physical separation requires that designated smoking area must be fully separated from smoke-free area by continuous floor-to-ceiling walls which are interrupted only by doors which must be constantly closed except during ingress or egress.**

**Enclosed Public Place - refers to a building or any other enclosed structure, whether government or private owned, that is open to the public by general invitation or otherwise, such as but not limited to private workspace, offices, schools, hospitals, medical clinics, markets, supermarkets, restaurants, bars, clubs, nightclubs, lounges, comfort rooms, auditoriums, private clubhouses, libraries, courtrooms, grocery stores and other similar places where smoking may expose a person other than the smoker to the hazards of tobacco smoke;**

**The imposition of an entry fee, use charge, membership requirement or other conditions of entry to an enclosed area shall not prevent its constitution as a public place, provided that admission is granted on a uniform basis to persons who meet the established criteria for use or admission.**

**Minor - person under eighteen (18) years old.**

**Public Conveyance - mode of transport servicing the general population, such as, but not limited to, elevators, jeepneys, buses, tricycles, and other similar vehicles.**

**Smoking - the act of carrying a lighted cigarette, cigar or a pipe whether or not it is being inhaled or smoke.**

**Section 3. Smoking is strictly prohibited in all public places in General Trias except in designated areas. Provided, however, that the following public places are hereby declared as absolutely smoke-free area:**

- a. All government/public buildings
- b. Schools in all levels
- c. Hospitals/medical clinics
- d. All enclosed public places with an area less than one hundred square meters (100 sq. m.)
- e. Public utility vehicles/private vehicles/pedicabs

**In relation, any person having ownership, possession or control of a public place not otherwise declared as absolutely smoke-free area may designate**

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separate smoking area. In the absence of designated smoking area, such public place shall be declared totally a nonsmoking area.

**Section 4.** It is likewise declared unlawful to smoke cigarette, cigar or pipe in public conveyances plying in the Municipality of General Trias.

**Section 5.** Public conveyances are also required to post the following sign inside their vehicle.

**NO SMOKING AS PER MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 15-04**

### Penalty for Violation

<b>First Offense</b>	:	<b>Fine of P 300.00</b>
<b>Second Offense</b>	:	<b>Fine of P 500.00</b>
<b>Third Offense</b>	:	<b>Fine of P 1,000.00 or imprisonment of three (3) days but not more than six (6) days at the discretion of the Court.</b>

The local government may order the closure of a public place that violates this Ordinance.

**Section 6.** The Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO) shall promulgate such rules and regulations with the approval of the Office of the Mayor, as are necessary for the effective implementation of this Ordinance.

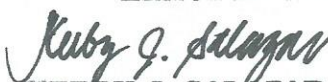
**Section 7.** All ordinances contrary to or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**Section 8.** If any provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or illegal, the same shall not affect the validity of the other provisions hereof.

**Section 9.** A copy of this Ordinance shall be furnished to the MENRO, the Police Station, all the barangays, all public conveyances and concerned establishments in the Municipality.

**Section 10.** This Ordinance shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its full publication in a newspaper of local or general circulation or posting in at least two (2) conspicuous places in the Municipality.

ENACTED under THIRD READING on 04 MAY 2015.

  
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**CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:**

  
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