

NOTICE

This Notice is to inform you that the Cheyenne Housing Authority Board of Commissioners has opened the Public Comment Period for acceptance of comments on the proposed revisions to the Smoke-Free Housing Policy. The agency-wide smoke free policy is intended to comply with HUD's smoke free requirements. There are two items that need updates to meet HUD guidance:

Item 1: In order to address the legalization of marijuana in nearby states we wanted to bring it to the attention of Wyoming residents that it's use is illegal and prohibited.

Proposed action:

The addition of the following language into the body of the Smoke Free Housing Policy:

"The agency wide Smoke Free Housing Policy includes the use of marijuana. Marijuana is a federally prohibited substance and the use and possession of marijuana, both medical and recreational is prohibited in all CHA owned and managed properties."

Item 2: HUD requires that housing Authorities create clear language with a gradation of consequence for smoking violations.

Proposed action:

The addition of the following language into the body of the Smoke Free Housing Policy:

"A violation of this policy shall be considered a material breach of the resident's Lease and grounds for enforcement actions, including eviction, by the Housing Authority. Tenant will receive a written lease violation after the first violation and will be informed that smoking on CHA property must stop immediately. A second smoking violation will result in termination of the lease and the CHA will proceed with legal enforcement actions if necessary. In the event that the tenant has other violations that are not smoking related, the second Smoke Free Policy violation notice may not be required to proceed with lease termination. A resident who violates the smoking policy shall also be charged the remediation costs listed within the Maintenance Schedule of Charges."

The proposed revisions are also available for review on the Cheyenne Housing Authority website at www.cheyennehousing.org or at the Cheyenne Housing Authority's offices:

- In Cheyenne at 3304 Sheridan Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming.
- In Laramie at 1265 North 3rd Street, Laramie, Wyoming.

Comments on the proposed revisions to the Smoke-Free Housing Policy are to be submitted in writing (US Mail, email, or hand delivered) to the Cheyenne Housing Authority before 12 NOON Monday October 31, 2022 to:

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