Smoking Policies in the 35 Busiest U.S. Airports

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This list describes the smoking policies of the 35 busiest U.S. airports. Airports are ranked according to the number of total volume of passenger traffic.* As of April 1, 2024, 32 of the top 35 U.S. airports have 100% smokefree indoor air policies. Additionally, 23 of the top 35 U.S. airports do not permit the use of electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) indoors.

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- Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals at least 25 feet away from the Terminal entrance.
- Dallas/Ft. Worth International Airport (DFW) Completely smokefree indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals.
- Denver International Airport (DEN) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of the Jeppesen Terminal.
- Chicago O'Hare International Airport (ORD) Completely smokefree indoors and ecigarette use is not permitted indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals.
- 5. Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking is permitted in three *outdoor* smoking areas located past security gates at the Tom Bradley International Terminal, Terminal 2, and Terminal 7.
- 6. **John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK) Completely smokefree indoors** and **e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors**. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals.
- 7. Harry Reid International Airport (LAS) in Las Vegas Smoking is permitted in the Barney's Lounge (C gates), the Budweiser Racing Track Lounge in the Esplanade Pre-Security area, enclosed gaming lounges (B, C, D, and E Gates), and designated outdoor areas near ticketing and baggage claim. The airport was smokefree indoors from 12/2006 until 8/2010 by Nevada law. Smoking is permitted in the bar because it stopped serving food, and Nevada law stipulates that smoking is permitted in bars that do not serve food. Smoking is permitted in enclosed slotmachine lounges because they have been designated as gaming floors, which are exempt from Nevada law.
- 8. Orlando International Airport (MCO) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors.
- 9. **Miami International Airport (MIA) E-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking is permitted** in an "open air" atrium, which has four walls and a roof with a gap at the roofline, that is attached to the airport's TGI Friday's restaurant.
- Charlotte-Douglas International Airport (CLT) Completely smokefree indoors and ecigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking not permitted within 100 feet of doorways.

- 11. Seattle Tacoma International Airport (SEA) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking is allowed only in two outdoor locations, at the North and South ends of Lower Drive.
- 12. Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport (PHX) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals.
- 13. Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals.
- 14. San Francisco International (SFO) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals at least 20 feet from entrances.
- 15. George Bush Intercontinental Airport (IAH) in Houston Completely smokefree indoors.

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- 16. Logan International Airport (BOS) in Boston Completely smokefree indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals.
- 17. **Ft.** Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport (FLL) Completely smokefree indoors. Smoking allowed in designated smoking areas located outside of terminals.
- 18. Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport (MSP) Completely smokefree indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals.
- La Guardia Airport in New York (LGA) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking allowed in designated smoking areas located outside of terminals.
- 20. Detroit Metropolitan Wayne County Airport (DTW) Completely smokefree indoors and ecigarette use is not permitted indoors.
- 21. Philadelphia International Airport (PHL) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking not allowed within 20 feet of entrances.
- 22. Salt Lake City International Airport (SLC) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking not allowed within 25 feet of entrances.
- 23. Reagan-Washington National Airport (DCA) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking not allowed within 10 feet of entrances.
- 24. San Diego International Airport (SAN) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking not allowed within 20 feet of entrances.
- 25. Baltimore/Washington International Airport (BWI) Completely smokefree indoors and ecigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking allowed in designated smoking areas located outside of terminals.
- 26. **Tampa International Airport (TPA) Completely smokefree indoors**. Smoking allowed outside of terminals, and past security on a smoking patio outside each terminal.
- 27. Austin-Bergstrom International (AUS) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors.
- 28. Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD) Completely smokefree indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals.

- 29. **Nashville International Airport (BNA) Smoking is permitted** in two Graycliff Boutique & Lounge (with purchase) locations on Concourse B near Gate B10, and on Concourse C near Gate C10.
- 30. Chicago Midway Airport (MDW) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking allowed in designated smoking areas located outside of terminals.
- 31. **Honolulu International Airport (HNL) Completely smokefree indoors**. Smoking allowed in designated smoking areas located outside of terminals.
- 32. **Dallas Love Field Airport (DAL) Completely smokefree indoors.** Smoking allowed in designated smoking areas located outside of terminals.
- 33. Portland (OR) International Airport (PDX) Completely smokefree indoors and e-cigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking allowed in two designated smoking areas located outside of terminals.
- 34. St. Louis Lambert International Airport (STL) Completely smokefree indoors and ecigarette use is not permitted indoors. Smoking allowed in designated smoking areas located outside of terminals.
- 35. William P. Hobby Airport in Houston (HOU) Completely smokefree indoors. Designated smoking areas are located outside of terminals at least 25 feet away from entrances.

Source: Telephone interviews, online smokefree policies, and email correspondence conducted by ANR 2003-2024.

*FAA 2022 Passenger Enplanement Statistics from Air Carrier Activity Information System (updated 8/31/23) https://www.faa.gov/sites/faa.gov/files/2023-09/cy22-all-enplanements.pdf