



**Signature Report**

**October 22, 2018**

**Guideline & Recommendation  
G&R18-02**

**Proposed No. G&R18-02.2**

**Sponsors**

1                   A GUIDELINE AND RECOMMENDATION to provide  
2                   model tobacco-free parks policy that will promote the  
3                   health, safety, welfare and enjoyment for all persons who  
4                   visit parks throughout King County.

5                   The Board of Health adopts guidelines that are intended to inform local  
6                   jurisdictions and parks departments of model language for tobacco-free parks policies in  
7                   King County.

8                   Attachment A to this Guideline and Recommendation includes specific language  
9                   recommended for local jurisdictions to implement a policy that is focused on building  
10                  community norms and support for tobacco-free parks rather than on heavy-handed  
11                  enforcement, which inequitably affects vulnerable populations.

12                  Many tobacco users today are from populations that have been directly targeted  
13                  by the tobacco industry, have often been marginalized by society and have less access to  
14                  cessation services.

15                  The Board of Health recommends that local efforts focus on providing education

16 and promotion of the policy through signage, webpages and park facility use agreements  
17 providing links to cessation services in lieu of fines or citations.

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Guideline & Recommendation G&R18-02 was introduced on and passed by the Board of Health on 10/18/2018, by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Ms. Lambert, Dr. Danielson, Mr. Dembowski, Dr. Daniell  
and Ms. Birney

No: 0

Excused: 5 - Ms. Bagshaw, Mr. McDermott, Ms. Honda, Ms. Juarez  
and Ms. Mosqueda

BOARD OF HEALTH  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Rod Dembowski, Chair

ATTEST:



Melani Pedroza, Clerk of the Board

**Attachments:** A. King County Model Policy for Tobacco-Free Parks dated October 15, 2018