

THE CITY OF WARWICK  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

CHAPTER 40  
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND OFFENSES

ARTICLE I  
IN GENERAL

No..... Date.....

Approved.....Mayor

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SMOKING OR VAPORIZING OF CANNABIS

Be it ordained by the City of Warwick:

Section I: Chapter 40, Article I of the City of Warwick Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding thereto the following new section:

**Sec. 40-35. Regulations for the smoking or vaporizing of cannabis.**

(a) As used in this chapter, “cannabis” shall be defined as in R.I.G.L. §21-28.11-3.

(b) Prohibition against smoking or vaporizing cannabis in public places. No person shall smoke or vaporize cannabis in public places, including outdoor common areas, parks, beaches, schools, school property, recreational facilities, motor vehicles on public property or highways, and other public spaces.

(c) Prohibition against smoking or vaporizing cannabis in places of business. No person shall smoke or vaporize cannabis in any establishment, retail space or other space licensed or required to be licensed by the State of Rhode Island or the City of Warwick.

(d) Violations; penalties; enforcement. Any person who violates the provisions of this chapter may be fined \$100.00 for the first offense, up to \$250.00 for the second offense, and up to \$500.00 for the third or subsequent offense. All members of the police department are authorized to enforce the provisions of this section.

Section II: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication as prescribed by law.

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN HOWE  
COMMITTEE: ORDINANCE