

Municipal Tobacco Control Technical Assistance Program

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MUNICIPALITIES THAT RESTRICT NEW RETAILERS NEAR EXISTING RETAILERS

<u>MUNICIPALITY:</u>			
1. Bedford	15. Hopkinton	29. Otis	
2. Belchertown	16. Hudson	30. Plymouth	
3. Bellingham	17. Ipswich	31. Southborough	
4. Bolton	18. Lee	32. Stockbridge	
5. Braintree	19. Lennox	33. Stoughton	
6. Brewster	20. Littleton	34. Stow	
7. Dalton	21. Ludlow	35. Townsend	
8. East Longmeadow	22. Marlborough	36. Ware	
9. Framingham	23. Mendon	37. Wellesley	
10. Freetown	24. New Bedford	38. Westfield	
11. Greenfield	25. North Andover	39. Worcester	
12. Groton	26. Northborough	40. Wrentham	
13. Harwich	27. Norton		
14. Hinsdale	28. Oak Bluffs		

TOTAL: 40 (7 cities – in bold type) – 14.1% of state’s population (982,941) lives in listed municipalities.

- Earliest adoption: Townsend – 5/9/16
- Municipality included if language in updated “Adult-Only Retail Tobacco Store” uses the 500-foot distance.

Model Language: A Tobacco Product Sales Permit shall not be issued to any new applicant for a retail location within [500/1000/2000] feet of a retailer with a valid Tobacco Product Sales Permit as measured by a straight line from the nearest point of the property line of the retailer with a valid Tobacco Product Sales Permit to the nearest point of the property line of the site of the applicant’s business premises.

- Applicants who purchase an existing business that holds a current Tobacco Product Sales Permit at the time of the sale of said business must apply within sixty (60) days of such sale for the permit held by the Seller if the Buyer intends to sell tobacco products, as defined herein.

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