

BANCROFT PUBLIC LIBRARY

TOBACCO-FREE GROUNDS POLICY

PURPOSE:

Research shows a large percentage of the community supports making public spaces tobacco free, especially locations that serve a wide variety of ages. In keeping with this community directive, the Trustees of the Salem Bancroft Public Library and Salem Town Board as successor to the Bancroft Trust are implementing a tobacco-free grounds policy for their property at 181 S. Main Street, Salem, New York. The grounds covered by this policy include not only the interior of the Bancroft Public Library, Reading Room, Proudfit Hall/Community Room/Town Justice Court, Court Clerk and Library offices, and former Fire Department bays, but also all areas exterior to and within one-hundred (100) feet of entrances, exits and outdoor areas.

POLICY:

The use of tobacco products is prohibited on the entirety of the property at 181 S. Main Street, Salem, NY. Tobacco products include cigarettes, e-cigarettes/vapes, cigars, smokeless tobacco, and any future iterations of these products which the Trustees deem included, at their discretion.

This Policy is in accord with NYS Public Health Law Section 1399-O.

Adopted: Bancroft Public Library Trustees on May 7, 2019

Reaffirmed: Bancroft Public Library Trustees on May 10, 2022

Approved: Salem Town Board as successor trustees to the Bancroft Trust on May 8, 2019.