

Some businesses now say that no one can smoke cigarettes in any of their offices. Some governments have banned smoking in all public places. This is a good idea but it takes away some of our freedom.

Do you agree or disagree? Give reasons for your answer.

I strongly support the rules and regulations legislated by government and organizations to protect the environment and people's health. In this case, the banning of smoking in public areas seems completely justifiable due to many reasons; however, it would be more acceptable and democratic if the smokers' right ~~was~~were reserved as well in a way.

As a non-smoker, I believe one of the best laws that must be strictly enforced in every public zone is forbidding smoking because it is really irritating to be exposed to smoke produced by cigarettes especially indoors. It is specifically harmful for people suffering from heart and respiratory diseases. Therefore, it is totally reasonable to ban it in the places where both smokers and non-smokers attend. Moreover, generally, limiting smoking will help preserve the environment from pollution.

On the other hand, practicing~~ing~~ by many companies these days, the best solution lies in providing some special locations for smokers who are allowed to smoke only in those designated areas. It is also very/quite common in public places like restaurants, cinemas, hospitals and many other places to separate smoking and non-smoking areas; then it ~~in-is~~ on people ~~to who~~ choose where they like to sit or attend. Thus, people's freedom won't be taken by no means.

All in all, I think governments or rulers should consider everyone's right and different tastes or preferences and try to respect and meet all of them to the extent that public rights are reserved. No doubt, such approach leads to a more democratic society.