



Cigarette Butt Litter **Reduction** Checklist

National Parks, Ski Resorts & Tourist Attractions

As our society has become more waste and energy conscious, Businesses, Councils and Organizations have made significant improvements in recycling practices, waste reduction and energy efficiency to minimize their impact on the environment.

However, until recently, cigarette butt litter, the world's largest environmental litter problem, has not received the same degree of attention. Cigarette butt litter outside buildings, and scattered by the billions across our cities and countryside has increased considerably since the introduction of indoor & vehicular smoking bans, and this litter rapidly enters our storm-water and aquatic systems - poisoning our environment, degrading its beauty and taking years to break down.

Cigarette butt litter at ski resorts, tourist attractions and national parks is primarily created by tourists & visitors, and to a lesser extent by industry staff and employees. They're the only ones who can actually reduce the problem of litter, but they need help to do it.

Butt litter Responsibility provides the means for responsible business owners and Management to assess their efforts to provide adequate education and disposal infrastructure in order to reduce , if not eliminate the cigarette butt litter emanating from their activities.

Are you Butt Litter Responsible?

Below is a checklist to assist you to determine if you are cigarette butt litter responsible.

Step 1: Tick the appropriate boxes.

Step 2: Total the number of yes ticks for both Education and Disposal Infrastructure.



Education

1. Do you provide education to your visitors/patrons & staff about:

- a. The environmental effects of cigarette butt litter?
- b. Fines and penalties possible for littering cigarette butts?
- c. Alternatives to littering?
- d. Appropriate and effective disposal methods?

2. What communication methods do you use:

- a. Personal Contact?
- b. Newsletter or E-Mag etc?
- c. Website / Internet / Intranet?
- d. Flyers, Visitor Info/Courtesy Kits, Signage?

3. Do you instruct your staff as to where they should (or shouldn't) smoke and in turn how they should responsibly dispose of their cigarette butts?

4. Do you inform your visitors & patrons prior to or on arrival as to how they should appropriately dispose of their cigarette butts?

Yes **No**

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Disposal Infrastructure

Yes No

1. Do you provide adequate external butt disposal infrastructure for your visitors and staff in and around your location and if yes what type?
 - a. Personal Ashtrays Yes No
 - b. Fixed or Wall/Post mounted Ashtrays Yes No
 - c. Any other means of appropriate butt disposal Yes No
2. Do you promote butt litter responsibility by your visitors, patrons and staff by providing them with Personal Ashtrays? Yes No

Once your checklist is completed, calculate your scores and check your responsibility rating using the table below.

If you wish to discuss your rating or have any questions regarding how to improve your butt litter responsibility rating, or you are interested in implementing a butt litter reduction campaign, please contact No Butts and we will be happy to assist you.

Your Scores: Total number of ticks in each category

Category:	Ticks:
Education	_____
Disposal Infrastructure	_____
Total Ticks	_____

Your Ratings:

0 Ticks	No effort has been made to reduce the cigarette butt litter emanating from your visitors, patrons or staff.
1-2 Ticks	Minimal effort has been made to reduce cigarette butt litter.
3-6 Ticks	Some effort has been made to reduce cigarette butt litter.
7-11 Ticks	Significant steps have been taken to educate patrons and staff and to provide adequate disposal infrastructure.
12 Ticks	All necessary steps have been taken to ensure maximum prevention of cigarette butt litter by patrons and staff.

For more information on butt litter responsibility and assistance with how your dept can help reduce the problem of cigarette butt litter, please contact No Butts.

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