

Employees of the Senate, except those on duty at the gallery door, shall be excluded.

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VISITORS' GALLERIES

The visitors' galleries shall be governed by the following rule:

The galleries over the western entrance to the Senate Chamber and over the southeastern, northwestern, and northeastern corners of said Chamber shall be set apart for the use of persons holding a card issued by a Senator. The period to which such card of admission shall be limited rests entirely in the discretion of the Senator issuing it, except that such cards shall expire at the end of each session and cards of a different color shall be furnished by the Sergeant at Arms for the following session. The Sergeant at Arms shall in his discretion limit occupancy of the visitors' galleries to such periods as may be required to accommodate with reasonable expediency all card bearers who are seeking admission.

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SPECIAL GALLERY

The gallery adjoining and west of the Diplomatic Gallery shall be reserved for guided tours and other special parties.

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RULE VII

MARBLE ROOM

The anteroom known as the Marble Room is a part of the floor of the Senate.

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RULE VIII

CLOAKROOMS

No persons shall be admitted to the cloakrooms adjoining the Senate Chamber excepting those entitled to the privileges of the Senate floor under Standing Rule XXIII.

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RULE IX

HEATING AND VENTILATING DEPARTMENT

No person shall be admitted to the heating and ventilating department of the Senate wing of the Capitol, except upon a pass from the Sergeant at Arms, or unless accompanied by an officer of the Senate.

RULE X

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SMOKING POLICY¹

Smoking is prohibited in all public places and unassigned space within the Senate Wing of the Capitol, the Senate Office Buildings, and within twenty five feet from the entrances thereto. Smoking is also prohibited under the carriage entrance and the East Portico connected to the Senate Wing of the Capitol. Each Senator, Chairman of a Committee (after consultation with the Ranking Member), the Secretary of the Senate, the Sergeant at Arms, the Architect of the Capitol, the Chaplain, and heads of support organizations assigned space in the Senate Wing of the Capitol or the Senate Office Buildings may establish individual smoking policies for office space assigned to them.

RULE XI

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SENATE RESTAURANTS

The management of the Senate Restaurants and all matters connected therewith are under the jurisdiction, control, and direction of the Committee on Rules and Administration.²

NOTE.—Pursuant to Public Law 87–82 (75 Stat. 199, July 6, 1961) the management of the Senate Restaurants was transferred to the Architect of the Capitol, subject to approval by the Committee on Rules and Administration as to matters of general policy. See Senate Manual Section 722.

RULE XII

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CORRIDORS, ETC.

The corridors and passageways of the Senate wing of the Capitol shall be kept open and free from obstructions and free from any person or persons loitering or loafing in or around such places without any visible or lawful business and not giving a good account of themselves; and no stands, booths, or counters for the exhibition or sale of any article shall be placed therein.

¹ Adopted March 27, 2009; amended June 12, 2012.

² Rule XXV (n)(1) 12 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.