
EXTENSION OF PREMISES RULES & REGULATIONS

Purpose:

The purpose of the Extension of Premises Permit is to encourage businesses such as novelty shops, clothing stores, boutiques, bookstores, art galleries, florists and the like to expand their space onto their sidewalks and to create a pedestrian-friendly environment for visitors and residents alike to stroll the streets and enjoy the variety of merchandise available. Or to simply sit and relax and enjoy the friendly business activity created in the neighborhood around them. At the same time, the extension of premises shall be neat, orderly, attractive and clean and shall never impede pedestrian or wheelchair traffic along the sidewalk.

(This permit is NOT applicable to establishments serving food or beverages).

Rules & Regulations:

Extension of Premises expressly prohibits sales transactions of any kind on the sidewalk. No money is to be exchanged outside of the premises. This violation constitutes immediate forfeiture of the permit for one (1) full year.

Extension of Premises is for temporary display only, and not intended for permanent encroachments of any kind.

Extension of Premises is for the use of the occupier of the premises directly abutting the business address store frontage. It is not for other businesses or vendors and is non-transferable.

Extension of Premises does not include the serving of food and/or beverages which is addressed in the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances governing sidewalk cafes (Please refer to Chapters 416.18 through 416.23 and 911.04.A.68). *Restaurant table service is strictly prohibited.*

Extension of Premises furniture or fixtures shall not be permanently attached to the structure of the building or sidewalk.

Extension of Premises shall not include cooking, serving and selling food on the sidewalk which is governed by the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances Title 7, Chapter 719 - Vendors and Peddlers, and Title 4, Chapter 416.27 - Extension of Premises for Cooking and Food Services.

The Extension of Premises display shall not contain perishables unless wrapped and sealed.

Extension of Premises shall not include the presence of cooking or heating appliances in operation on the sidewalk. This is governed under a different permit in the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, 416.27 Extension of Premises for Cooking and Food Services.

Extension of Premises furniture means only such furniture as shelves or tables for display purposes. Seating area is acceptable but does not include upholstered furniture. Tables & chairs may be used as long as there is no waiter service, orders taken, or money transactions occurring outside. Tables & chairs may be substituted with one (1) bench not to exceed five (5') feet in length. Tables & Chairs are not permitted for any establishment serving food or beverages ie: Pizza Shops, Sandwich Shops, and Coffee Shops. *A Sidewalk Café permit is needed for establishments whose sole purpose is food or beverage sales.*

Extension of Premises must leave enough room for unimpeded pedestrian passage. Sidewalks up to ten (10') feet in width shall leave a minimum of five (5') feet of sidewalk clear of obstructions to allow unimpeded pedestrian and disabled pedestrian traffic. Sidewalks over ten (10') feet in width shall leave a minimum of seven (7') feet of sidewalk clear of obstructions to allow unimpeded pedestrian and disabled pedestrian traffic. No obstruction shall be placed within thirty (30") inches of the face of any curb, or within five (5') feet of any fire exit, fire hydrant, or building corner.

All Extension of Premises wares and furniture shall be stored inside the premises at the end of the business day and removed from the sidewalk no later than 10PM.

The Extension of Premises permit shall be placed in plain view within the premises preferably in the business' front window.

Penalty: *Failure to comply with the provisions of Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances, Title Four, Article I, regarding use of the public right of way or with these regulations shall result in revocation of the Extension of Premises permit in addition to other applicable enforcement measures of Article I of Title Four of the Pittsburgh Code of Ordinances.*