



Application for Permit to Solicit/Sell

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Please complete this application and return to the police department. You must provide a photographic ID such as a driver's license or military ID, not a company ID. The application fee is a \$10.00 refundable deposit for each person applying. This fee will be refunded by a town check approximately 6 weeks after the permit is returned to the police department. Checks will be mailed to the permanent home address on this application. The fee for the photographic permit is \$10.00 for the first sixty (60) days. The renewal fees are \$5.00 for each 60 days thereafter. These fees are not refundable. The processing time for applications is 7 business days. You must carry the Town-issued permit and another photographic ID while selling or offering sales goods and services in the Town of Chapel Hill. Upon completion of the sales period, return the Town-issued permit to the police department.

Employer or Organization: _____

Employer or Organization's Address: _____

Supervisor's Name: _____

Applicant's Name: _____

First

Middle

Last

Height _____ Weight _____ Race _____ Complexion _____

Eye Color _____ Hair Color _____ Body & Facial Marks (if any) _____

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

Driver's License Number _____ State _____

Local Mailing Address _____

Permanent Mailing Address _____

Phone Number _____ Business Phone Number _____

Types of Goods/Services for Sale _____

Permit Dates (60 day limit) _____ to _____

List all criminal convictions and the location of offenses for the past ten years _____

Town of Chapel Hill Ordinance, Chapter 13 Peddlers and Solicitors

Sec. 13-1. - Intent. The purpose of this chapter is to regulate door-to-door selling of goods and services and solicitation of orders therefor, and to thereby promote the public health, safety and welfare. (Ord. No. O-84-77, § 1, 11-12-84)

Sec. 13-2. - Permit required. No person shall for commercial purposes sell, or solicit orders for, goods and services by going from door to door or from place to place without prior appointments with the residents or occupants thereof, without first having obtained a permit therefor from the town manager or manager's designee. (Ord. No. O-84-77, § 1, 11-12-84)

Sec. 13-3. - Applications. Applications for permits under this chapter shall be submitted to the office of the chief of police on a form available therefrom, and shall include the following information: (1) The full name of the applicant; (2) Permanent residence address of the applicant; (3) The applicant's temporary address in or in the vicinity of the town, if applicable; (4) The name and address of the applicant's employer or the organization with which the applicant is associated in connection with the sale activity or solicitation of orders; (5) The type(s) of goods and services to be sold or offered for sale; (6) The period for which the application is sought, which shall not exceed sixty (60) consecutive calendar days; provided, that the permit may be renewed for sixty-day periods without limit, upon proper application therefor. (7) A statement of any and all crimes of which the applicant has been convicted or has pleaded no contest in the ten (10) years preceding submittal of the application; (8) The age, height, weight and any other additional information which the manager may reasonably require for identification. (Ord. No. O-84-77, § 1, 11-12-84)

Sec. 13-4. - Procedures for considering applications. (a) The town manager or manager's designee shall deny an application under this chapter only if the applicant has not submitted a completed application; has submitted false information; is not permitted by law to engage in such activity due to age or other factors; has been convicted of or has pleaded no contest to a felony charge within the ten (10) years preceding the submittal of the application; or has been within the previous five (5) years convicted of, or has pleaded no contest to, a misdemeanor charge involving theft, fraud, forging, uttering, other crimes of like nature or any crime involving moral turpitude. (b) The town manager or manager's designee shall approve or deny an application within a reasonable time after receipt of the application in the office of the chief of police. (c) If the town manager designates an employee of the town not in the town manager's office to approve or deny applications, the manager shall establish a procedure for administrative appeal of denials to the town manager or an assistant town manager. (d) The denial of an application by the town manager may be appealed to the town council within ten (10) days after written notice of such denial. (Ord. No. O-84-77, § 1, 11-12-84)

Sec. 13-5. - Issuance of permits. (a) Permits shall include the applicant's full name; permanent address; temporary address, if any; the type(s) of goods or services to be sold or offered for sale; the firm by which the applicant is employed or the organization with which the applicant is associated; the period in which the permit is valid; and a statement that the issuance of the permit does not constitute an endorsement in any manner of the goods or services sold or offered. (b) As a condition for receiving a permit, the applicant shall leave a deposit of ten dollars (\$10.00), refundable upon return of the permit to the office of the chief of police upon expiration of the permit. (c) The town manager may establish a fee of up to five dollars (\$5.00) for the town's costs of processing of an application; provided, that the fee for a renewal application shall not exceed two dollars (\$2.00), and that the council may by resolution authorize the town manager to set a higher fee in light of the costs of processing applications and preparing approved permits. (d) Anyone selling or offering for sale goods and services in a manner subject to [section 13-2](#) shall carry the permit issued by the town and a driver's license or other photographic identification satisfactory to the town manager or manager's designee. (Ord. No. O-84-77, § 1, 11-12-84)

Sec. 13-6. - Reserved. Ord. No. O-85-2, adopted Jan. 28, 1985, deleted § 13-6 which pertained to hours of sales and solicitation of orders as derived from Ord. No. O-84-77, § 1, adopted Nov. 12, 1984.

Sec. 13-7. - Revocation of permit. A permit may be revoked by the manager for any reason for which the manager may have refused to issue such permit. Except for emergency reasons relating to the public safety or health, no permit shall be revoked except on forty-eight (48) hours prior written notice to the permit holder, and upon a hearing before the town manager or the town manager's designee. The notice shall specify the grounds for such revocation. The permit holder shall have the right to appear at the hearing and to present evidence. After such hearing, a permit may be revoked as provided above. A revocation by the town manager may be appealed to the town council within ten (10) days after written notice of such revocation. Such notice shall state the reasons for the revocation. A permit which has been revoked shall immediately be surrendered to the town manager. (Ord. No. O-84-77, § 1, 11-12-84)

Sec. 13-8. - Exemptions from requirements of chapter. This chapter shall not apply to: (1) Delivery of goods or services which have been ordered before delivery. (2) Circulation of petitions for signature or lawful distribution of advertising materials, flyers, or materials expressing views on political, social or religious matters. (3) Lawful promotion or expression of views concerning political, social, religious and other matters. (4) The sale of offering for sale of goods or services by representatives of nonprofit organizations. (5) The solicitation of contributions or pledges thereof for nonprofit organizations. (6) The sale or delivery of goods to a business establishment. (Ord. No. O-84-77, § 1, 11-12-84)

Sec. 13-9. - Courtesy permits. The town manager or manager's designee may issue a courtesy permit or card for identification purposes to a person who will be canvassing, soliciting, or selling for purposes exempted under [section 13-8](#) from the regulations in this chapter. There shall be no fee for such a card or permit unless the applicant therefor desires to have a photographic identification, in which case the town manager may establish a fee to recover any costs to the town for such photographic identification. The courtesy permit or card shall specify that it does not authorize sale or solicitation of orders for commercial activities, and the courtesy permit or card shall identify the organization, if any, with which the applicant is associated for purposes exempt under [section 13-8](#). (Ord. No. O-84-77, § 1, 11-12-84)

I have read the Chapter 13 of the Town of Chapel Hill ordinances and agree to abide by all provisions stipulated therein. I understand that the \$10.00 and \$5.00 processing fees are non-refundable and further understand that the permit can be denied upon a finding of reasonable cause as stipulated in the ordinance.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

CHPD Witness Signature _____ Date _____

Permit Approved _____ Permit Denied and Reason _____

\$10.00 Deposit Paid \$ _____

\$10.00 Permit Fee Paid \$ _____

\$5.00 Renewal Fee Paid \$ _____

Total \$ _____