

SOLICITATION PERMIT

(Business)

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 5138-2014, the following information has been provided and the Business/Registrant noted herein is entitled to a valid permit for the sale of goods, wares, merchandise or services for the period of time extending from _____ to _____, but no longer than for one year. **PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 5138-2014, an application fee of \$50.00, paid by either cash or money order, shall accompany the Solicitation Permit application to lower administrative costs.**

BUSINESS INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Brief Description of the nature/purpose of the business:

REGISTRANT'S INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Relationship to Business: _____

A copy of the employer/organization's credentials is attached showing the exact relationship and authority of the Registrant to the business represented. A letter signed by a person of authority to authorize from the business will suffice.

Mayor/Designee
City of North Ridgeville

All door-to-door activity of any nature shall be restricted to the hours of Monday-Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Sunday Noon-5:00 p.m.

A violation by the Registrant or any agent thereof of any requirement of Ordinance No. 5138-2014 (attached hereto) is punishable by a fine of up to \$250.00 per violation.

A copy of this permit shall be carried by each employee who goes upon the property of citizens in this City.



CITY OF NORTH RIDGEVILLE

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

G. David Gillock, Mayor
Jeffrey J. Armbruster, Safety-Service Director



CHAPTER 854 Peddlers, Canvassers and Solicitors

- 854.01 Peddler, canvasser and solicitor defined.**
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854.01 PEDDLER, CANVASSER AND SOLICITOR DEFINED.

- (a) As used in this chapter, the terms “peddler,” “canvasser” and “solicitor” mean any person who sells or offers for sale within the City any goods or chattels of any kind or description by going from house to house or from place to place through the streets of the City, taking such goods or chattels with him or her, or any person who sells such goods or chattels by subscription or by taking orders for future delivery of the same. This definition shall not apply to any minor under the age of eighteen years.
- (b) The term “canvasser” means any person physically present within the City who seeks to obtain or provide information or to influence the opinions of resident of the City, who may or may not seek to obtain financial contributions relative to any cause whatsoever.
- (Ord. 5138-2014. Passed 6-2-14.)

854.02 SOLICITATION ON PUBLIC STREETS OR SIDEWALKS PROHIBITED.

No person shall solicit the sale of any merchandise or wares, goods, foods, periodicals or other articles of value, for present or future delivery, on any public street or sidewalk, except for mobile frozen desserts sales as is provided for in these Codified Ordinances.

(Ord. 5138-2014. Passed 6-2-14.)

854.03 SOLICITATION WITHOUT INVITATION ON PRIVATE PROPERTY DECLARED A NUISANCE.

- (a) (EDITOR’S NOTE: This subsection was deleted by Ordinance 5138-2014, passed June 2, 2014.)
- (b) No solicitor, peddler hawker, itinerant merchant or transient vendor or merchandise or services (solicitor) who intends to go in or upon private property or a private residence for any commercial purpose shall go in or upon such private property or residence without first registering in the office of the Mayor and obtaining a solicitation permit. A copy of all permits issued shall be retained by the office of the Mayor.
- (c) (1) The registration required by division (b) of this section shall be made by filing a solicitor’s registration form, at the office of the Mayor, on a form furnished for such purpose. The form shall be completed by the registrant and it shall then contain the following information:
- A. The name, home address, and phone number of the registrant;
 - B. A brief description of the nature and purpose of the business, promotion, solicitation, and/or the goods or services offered;
 - C. The name and address of the employee or affiliated organization with credentials from the employer or organization showing the exact relationship and authority of the applicant; a copy of which shall be attached to the copy retained by the administration.
 - D. The length of time for which the privilege to solicit is desired, but in no case shall a permit be issued for more than one year at a time.
- (2) Each registrant who complies with this division shall be furnished a solicitation permit. The permit shall indicate that the applicant has registered as required by this chapter. However, no permittee shall go in or upon any premises containing a “no solicitation” sign.

- (d) Each person shall at all times, while exercising the privilege incident to such permit, carry upon his or her person his or her permit and the same shall be exhibited by such person whenever he or she is requested to do so by any police officer or by any person who is solicited. A copy of this section shall be attached to each permit.
- (e) A permit shall be valid for one year from the date issued, or for the length of time indicated on the registration form, whichever is less.
- (f) Permits may be denied or revoked by the Mayor or Safety Service Director for any one or more of the following reasons, or for substantially similar reasons:
- (1) Incomplete information provided by the registrant in the solicitor's registration form;
 - (2) Fraud or misrepresentation contained in the solicitor's registration form;
 - (3) Any alteration of the required form;
 - (4) Fraud, misrepresentation or false statements made in the course of conducting the activity;
 - (5) Violation of any of the provisions of this chapter or of other Codified Ordinances or of any state or federal law;
 - (6) Conducting soliciting or business in such a manner as to constitute a trespass upon private property;
 - (7) The permittee ceases to possess the qualifications required in this chapter for the original registration;
 - (8) Any violation of any subsection of this section.
- (g) A "no solicitation or canvassing" (or words of similar import) sign posted in a visible and prominent location or locations at the residence, in legible lettering, shall be sufficient to notify any unwanted canvassers, solicitor, peddler, hawker, itinerant merchant or transient vendor of merchandise or services that the permittee may not come upon the premises of the resident for the purposes of commercial transactions or canvassing, or if upon the premises the solicitor or canvasser shall leave immediately upon becoming aware of the sign or being made aware of the sign.
- (h) Any resident not posting a "no solicitation or canvassing" sign is free to turn away or to refuse to respond to any type of solicitation. In such instances, the solicitor shall leave immediately without comment.
- (i) (EDITOR'S NOTE: This subsection was deleted by Ordinance 5138-2014, passed June 2, 2014.)
- (j) (EDITOR'S NOTE: This subsection was deleted by Ordinance 5138-2014, passed June 2, 2014.)
- (k) All door-to-door activity, of any nature, shall be restricted to the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Monday through Saturday, Noon to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, and is prohibited in total on any state or federal holiday.
- (l) All canvassers are encouraged to notify the police department before engaging in canvassing activity. In order to protect the safety and welfare of the residents as well as the canvasser, the City encourages all canvassers to provide name and address of participants, identity of any organization represented, and the intended location and dates of canvassing activity. No fee shall be charged for such notification.
- (m) A violation by the registrant or any agent thereof of any requirement of this section is punishable by a fine of up to two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) per violation. In addition, the permit shall be revoked for any violation for the remainder of the permit period. Upon a second violation, no further permits shall be issued the registrant and/or the organization or business represented by the registrant. (Ord. 5138-2014. Passed 6-2-14.)

854.04 PERMIT APPLICATION FEE.

Each registrant shall pay a non-refundable permit application fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00), payable at the time the solicitor's registration form is submitted to the City. The application fee shall be payable by cash or money order. Personal checks will not be accepted.
(Ord. 5138-2014. Passed 6-2-14.)

854.99 PENALTY.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See Section 802.99 for general Business Regulation Code penalty if no specific penalty is provided.)