

Requirements for Sidewalk Dining & Use of Tables/Benches on a Sidewalk

(MBMC Section 7.36.160)

- A minimum of 48 inches of sidewalk width must be left unobstructed at all times.
- Applicants and their customers may not place any objects in the public right-of-way other than tables and chairs (no umbrellas, heaters or bikes/dogs tied to parking meters, etc.)
- Exterior lighting equipment that may present a tripping hazard is not permitted.
- Temporary electrical connections, such as extension cords, are not permitted.
- Alcoholic Beverages may not be served or consumed in the outdoor dining area.
- Amplified music is prohibited; dancing is prohibited.
- In areas with standard-width sidewalks (9.5 feet), only two-seat tables may be used, with the tables placed against the face of the building.
- Dining activities must conclude by 10:00pm. Tables and chairs must be removed from City property by 10:30pm.
- All exits and means of egress from establishments and businesses must be maintained and not obstructed in any manner.
- Sidewalk dining activities must comply with all Use Permit and Zoning requirements (parking, occupancy, etc.)
- Only existing tables used inside the restaurant may be used for sidewalk dining unless additional parking and Zoning approval is provided in accordance with the Municipal Code.
- The portion of sidewalks used for dining must be cleaned regularly and consistently kept free of litter by the applicant.
- Businesses may not use both tables and chairs for dining as well as chairs or benches for customer waiting. Only one type of encroachment is permitted.
- The applicant must provide a \$1 million insurance endorsement and complete a Hold Harmless agreement, to the satisfaction of the Risk Manager.
- The applicant must submit an application for a permit and pay an established permit fee.
- Permits are issued to business owners rather than property owners and do not run with the property. New business owners must apply for a new permit.
- Permits may be revoked if the applicant repeatedly fails to comply with any of the above requirements.
- All Permits are subject to temporary modification or suspension at any time based on the public's priority for use of City right-of-way as determined to be appropriate by the Chief of Police or Director of Public Works.

I acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Requirements for Sidewalk Dining and Use of Tables/Benches on a Sidewalk and agree to comply with all the conditions in the document:

Signature: _____ Date: _____