GUIDELINES FOR CAFÉ TABLES AND CHAIRS PERMIT

San Francisco Public Works may find it necessary to request additional information after initial review of the application.

NEW APPLICATION SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

☐ Complete the Café Tables and Chairs Permit Application Form. (Please fill out the form completely)

☐ Submit fully dimensioned computer generated site plan. (See Sample Diagram)

☐ Submit photos of the existing site conditions fronting your business.

☐ Submit San Francisco Business Registration Certificate for the requested address.

☐ Pay non-refundable processing fee: payable to San Francisco Public Works by a check, electronic check, money order or all major credit / debit cards. (See Fee Schedule)

☐ Copy of valid Certificate of Insurance (COI). The COI is evidence of general commercial liability coverage with language that must comply with Public Works Bureau of Street-Use & Mapping’s requirements as identified in the Sample COI. NOTE: The COI may be submitted when the Site Plan is approved by BSM, but prior to issuance of the permit.

SUBMIT ABOVE ITEMS EITHER IN PERSON OR THROUGH EMAIL

IN PERSON
San Francisco Public Works, Bureau of Street-Use & Mapping, 1155 Market Street, 3rd Floor
Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
NOTE: All cash and check transactions must be submitted before 4:00 p.m.

EMAIL
Electronic copies (PDF) of the application materials may be sent to: BSMPermitDivision@sfdpw.org

RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS

Applicants can now renew permits online:

- Renewal Website: http://bsm.sfdpw.org/permitstracker/renew.aspx
- Fee Payment Website: http://bsm.sfdpw.org/cashiers/Kiosk.aspx

For renewals in-person or by mail, submit the following:

1. Copy of valid Certificate of Insurance that must comply with Public Works’ requirements as identified in the Sample COI.

2. Renewal fee payment by check, electronic check, money order or all major credit/debit cards. (See Fee Schedule)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Article 5.2, Section 176 of the Public Works Code and Public Works Order 183,188 pertain to how San Francisco Public Works administers the Café Tables and Chairs permit in the City and County of San Francisco. It is the applicant’s responsibility to renew their permit before the expiration date. The inspector will issue citations if the permit is not renewed and/or not clearly displayed. Permit fees may be updated annually by the City.
INFORMATIONAL LINKS

- Public Works Order 183,188: http://www.sfpublicworks.org/services/permits/public-works-orders
- Permit Webpage: http://www.sfpublicworks.org/services/permits/cafe-tables-and-chairs
- SF Environment: https://sfenvironment.org/recycling-composting-faqs

SAMPLE DIAGRAM

Permitted Elements

- Diversers: _(min 2') L x _(min 1') W x _(min 2.5') H
- Tables: _ L x _ W
- Chairs: _ L x _ W

LEGEND

Dim. = dimension
L = length
W = width
H = height
□ = permitted area