



RESIDENTS' GUIDE TO SOLICITORS & PEDDLERS



Peddlers & Solicitors

In the City of New Hope, solicitors or peddlers must be registered with the City.

Requirements for peddlers and solicitors are detailed in New Hope City Code Sec. 8-6. The only exceptions to the City licensing requirement are:

- Individuals selling newspaper subscriptions.
- Individuals soliciting money, donations, or financial assistance of any kind for nonprofit, religious, political or educational organizations. This includes taking orders for goods sold by these organizations; or selling or distributing literature or merchandise for which a fee is charged or solicited on behalf of such an organization.
- Individuals calling upon households in connection with a regular route service for the sale and delivery of perishable foods such as bakery and dairy products. This exemption does not relieve the seller from complying with other applicable provisions of the City Code.
- Individuals calling upon a household at the request of someone living in the home.

Prohibited Practices

Solicitors, peddlers or transient merchants are prohibited from:

- Disregarding a "No Solicitation" sign posted on private property.
- Entering residential premises between 8 p.m. and 9 a.m.
- Obstructing the free flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic.
- Creating a direct threat to the health, safety or welfare of any individual or the general public.
- Harassing, intimidating, abusing or threatening a person; continuing to offer merchandise for sale to any person after being declined; or refusing to leave premises.

If a visible "Peddlers and Solicitors Prohibited" sign is posted near the entrance of your home or business, solicitors may not come to your home or business uninvited to sell goods or services, even if the individual is a registered solicitor with the City of New Hope.

If a peddler, solicitor or transient merchant disregards the sign and continues to try to sell merchandise or is engaging in any of the other prohibited practices, dial 911 for assistance.



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