

SOLO & SMALL GROUP PERFORMANCE

You do not need permit if you:

- do not place a display device on the sidewalk;
- perform solo or with a small group with a display device if the performance space does not exceed 12 s.f.; or
- do not need 20 minutes or more to set up.

Where may I perform?

You may perform with a display device on the sidewalk as long as it is not in the following prohibited locations:

- Within 14 feet of a building or fence;
- Within 14 feet of a street corner or intersection;
- Within 14 feet of a kiosk;
- Within 14 feet of a drinking fountain, public telephone, bench, public trash container, directory sign, sculpture, public art, ATM machine or change machines;
- Within 14 feet of a sidewalk café; or
- Within any portion of the sidewalk between a sidewalk café and the curb. SCMC 5.43.020

The display device must be 12 feet from another display device. SCMC 5.43.010

If you sit on the sidewalk while performing, you may not sit in the prohibited locations above and you also cannot sit within 50 feet of an ATM, change machine, or bank. SCMC 9.50.012

One-Hour Time Limit

There is a one-hour time limit for a display device to remain in the same location. After one hour, you must move your display device at least 100 feet from the original location to another permissible location and may not return to the original location for 24 hours. SCMC 5.43.020

Space and Size Limits

The area including space necessary for display device, the person(s) responsible for display device and all personal property cannot exceed 12 square feet.

The display device cannot exceed 6 feet in height.

Special Event Restriction

When a special event permit has been issued for a specific time such as a sidewalk sale, you may not place a display device in the area of the special event. **5.43.020**

Performing on Private Property

You may perform in business alcoves with the business owner's permission. You may perform until 10:00 p.m. with a permission form signed by the business owner.

How to measure distances on the sidewalk

Each sidewalk square is approximately 2 ft.

5 squares = 10 ft.

7 squares = 14 ft.

25 squares = 50 ft.

50 squares = 100ft.

Distances can be measured in any direction

LARGE GROUPS & ACTS

Designated Location Permits

If you are using a display device and your performance requires a space larger than 12 s. f. and/or takes more than 20 minutes to set up, you qualify for a free street performing permit.

Street performing permit allows you to:

- use a larger space
- perform for two hours on sidewalks or three hours in alleys
- reserve performance time in one of the designated locations.

Street performing permit are available at:

Parks and Recreation, 323 Church St.

Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am- 4:00 pm
(831) 420-5270

Please allow up to 36 hours to process the permit. **No fee required.**

Sound Amplification

Sound amplification, which is defined as anything plugged in or using batteries, is not allowed without securing a permit from the Police Department. SCMC 9.40.010.

Acoustic music does not require a permit

Sound amplification permits are available with a valid street performing permit at:

Police Department, 155 Center St.

Monday - Thursday, 9:00 am- 4:00 pm

Please allow 14 days to process the permit.