



License Information Sheet

Form
TPEP-info

Temporary Public Entertainment Premises



\$75*
License Fee

*p. 3 for deadline calendar
and information on \$25 late-
fee.



**Duration of
event***

*see p. 2

License Term



Ch. 108

Code Reference

Milwaukee.gov/ordinances

Who Needs a License?



Yes

- **Businesses that do not hold a regular Public Entertainment Premises License and want to have entertainment on a temporary basis.**



No

- **Businesses that hold a regular Public Entertainment Premises License and want to change the type(s) of entertainment temporarily. Those businesses need to file a “Temporary Change of Plan Permit” application.**

Getting Started

- ☐ Review the application guide
- ☐ Submit all of the following:
 - ☐ **A complete Temporary Public Entertainment Premises Application (Form PEP-app)**
 - ☐ **Payment**

Quick-Start Guide



See our [Quick-Start Guide](#) for detailed instructions on submitting an application, licensing requirements, the approval process, and other important information.

Resources



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Visit our website!**

Milwaukee.gov/RedTapeRescue



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1 Definitions

Public Entertainment Premises

Any entertainment setting where the public may gain admission, either with or without payment of a fee; includes entertainment in which profits are gained by membership, season ticket, invitation or other system open or offered to the public.

Includes dances, shows, and exhibitions provided for a fee including plays, skits, musical revues, children's theater, dance productions, musical concerts, opera and sights/sounds that entertain or appeal to the public, produced by any means, including radio, phonograph, jukebox, television, video reproduction, tape recorder, piano, orchestra, band or any other musical instrument, slide or movie projector, spotlights or interruptible or flashing light devices and decoration.

Also includes carnivals, festivals, special event camp ground establishment offering hookah service, motion picture house or theater, and when offered to the public for a fee.

Hookah Service

The rental or complimentary use of a hookah provided by an establishment. A hookah is any recreational water pipe used to inhale heated or vaporized substances, including but not limited to, non-tobacco shisha.

2 Regulations

License Regulations

- **Duration:** an event cannot exceed 4 consecutive days. **Exception:** a festival can be up to 14 consecutive days but only between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 a.m.
- All outdoor entertainment must end at 10:00 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, and 12:00 a.m. Friday-Saturday.
- No more than 20 permits for the same premises in any license year can be issued.
- No more than 4 permits for the same premises in any calendar month can be issued.

Department of Neighborhood Services

If the business will have entertainment indoors, or will put up any tents 400 sq. ft. or larger or any other temporary constructions such as a stage, additional permits may need to be obtained from the Department of Neighborhood Services.

Contact the Permit Desk at (414) 286-8211, 809 N Broadway, 1st Floor.

3 Important

Issuance/Posting of Permit

Filing of the application does not allow you to hold the event. The permit must be approved, the fees paid, and the permit issued and posted in your establishment before the event can be held. The permit should be posted in an easily see place for the duration of the event.

Temporary Permits Filing Deadlines

If you want a temporary permit for an event being held between:			Then your permit application must be filed at least on or before:	In order for the permit application to be scheduled on the agenda for the Licenses Committee meeting held on:
Saturday, December 20, 2025	and	Saturday, January 31, 2026	Thursday, October 16, 2025	Tuesday, December 2, 2025
Sunday, February 1, 2026	and	Friday, February 13, 2026	Thursday, November 20, 2025	Tuesday, January 6, 2026
Saturday, February 14, 2026	and	Friday, March 6, 2026	Thursday, December 11, 2025	Tuesday, January 27, 2026
Saturday, March 7, 2026	and	Friday, March 27, 2026	Friday, January 2, 2026	Wednesday, February 18, 2026
Saturday, March 28, 2026	and	Friday, April 24, 2026	Thursday, January 22, 2026	Tuesday, March 10, 2026
Saturday, April 25, 2026	and	Friday, May 15, 2026	Friday, February 20, 2026	Wednesday, April 8, 2026
Saturday, May 16, 2026	and	Friday, June 5, 2026	Thursday, March 12, 2026	Tuesday, April 28, 2026
Saturday, June 6, 2026	and	Friday, June 26, 2026	Thursday, April 2, 2026	Tuesday, May 19, 2026
Saturday, June 27, 2026	and	Friday, July 17, 2026	Thursday, April 23, 2026	Tuesday, June 9, 2026
Saturday, July 18, 2026	and	Monday, August 3, 2026	Thursday, May 14, 2026	Tuesday, June 30, 2026
Tuesday, August 4, 2026	and	Friday, September 25, 2026	Thursday, June 4, 2026	Tuesday, July 21, 2026
Saturday, September 26, 2026	and	Friday, October 16, 2026	Friday, July 24, 2026	Wednesday, September 9, 2026
Saturday, October 17, 2026	and	Saturday, November 7, 2026	Thursday, August 13, 2026	Tuesday, September 29, 2026
Sunday, November 8, 2026	and	Friday, November 27, 2026	Thursday, September 3, 2026	Tuesday, October 20, 2026
Saturday, November 28, 2026	and	Friday, December 18, 2026	Thursday, September 24, 2026	Tuesday, November 10, 2026
Saturday, December 19, 2026	and	Sunday, January 31, 2027	Thursday, October 15, 2026	Tuesday, December 1, 2026