

# MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP APPLICATION FOR SOLICITATION PERMIT

NAME: SOCIAL SECURITY #:				
DATE OF BIRTH:	SEX:	RACE:	PHONE #:	
ADDRESS:				
PERMIT REQUESTED FOR:				
COMPANY/ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED:				
COMPANY ADDRESS:				PHONE #:
VEHICLE MAKE/MODEL:				COLOR:
VEHICLE REGISTRATION #: STATE:				
HAS THE APPLICANT EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A CRIME: YES: NO:				
IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN:				
A PHOTOGRAPH AND A PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE BACKGROUND CHECK IS REQUIRED FOR EACH SOLICITOR UPON SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION. THE BACKGROUND CHECK CAN BE OBTAINED VIA epatch.state.pa.us AND MUST BE DATED NO MORE THAN 60 DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF APPLICATION.				
<ul> <li>Permit is valid for a maximum of thirty (30) days upon payment of a \$200.00 fee. A permit may be requested and issued for less than thirty (30) days at a rate of \$40.00 per day, per licensee.</li> <li>Permit is valid only for the purpose as applied for in this application and is not valid for any other type of solicitation and is not transferrable.</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Permit is valid only for door to door solicitation, and is not valid for any temporary sales or curbside stands.</li> <li>Permit will be revoked at any time by any Montgomery Township Police Officer upon proof that the permit applicant:</li> </ul>				
<ol> <li>Provided false or inaccurate information on the application</li> <li>Has been convicted of a crime of fraud, a felony, or a crime involving moral turpitude.</li> </ol>				
<ol> <li>Failed to comply with any rules of conduct as defined in Montgomery Township Ordinance 170-12, as attached.</li> </ol>				
PERMIT MUST BE SHOWN TO ANY PERSON APPROACHED, UPON REQUEST, OR TO ANY MONTGOMERY				
TOWNSHIP POLICE OFFICER WHO REQUESTS SAME.				
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT:				DATE REQUESTED:
PERMIT APPROVED BY:	DATE APPROV	ÆD:	PERMIT #:	
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#### § 170-12 RULES OF CONDUCT

Any person to whom a license or permit has been issued hereunder shall comply with the following rules of conduct:

A. The licensee shall have in his possession at all times the license issued to him and shall exhibit it upon request.

B. A licensee shall not engage in soliciting or peddling involving a product or service not set forth in the license application.

C. The licensee shall not permit any other person or individual to have possession of the license card issued to him and shall immediately report the loss of any license card to the Township.

D. The licensee shall not permit the license card to be altered or defaced.

E. Any licensee engaged in soliciting or peddling shall do so only between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on any day of the week, except where an occupant of a Township residence posts notice on his property, in accordance with § 170-14 (Notice regulating soliciting or peddling) of this chapter, either further regulating or prohibiting soliciting or peddling. In such instance, any soliciting or peddling shall be governed by the notice. F. No licensee shall park any vehicle upon any street, alley or roadway within the Township for a period of time longer than is reasonably necessary to sell therefrom to persons residing in the immediate vicinity. G. No licensee shall enter or attempt to enter any dwelling or residence without invitation or permission of the occupant, and the licensee shall immediately leave any premises upon request.

H. No licensee shall represent that the license card issued to him is in any way an endorsement by Montgomery Township of the licensee or the goods or services which he sells, solicits or peddles.

I. Peddlers and solicitors must have permission of property owners to occupy private property and must exhibit evidence of the same, in writing, before the permit is granted.

J. Under no circumstances may a person peddling or soliciting do so within any highway or highway right-ofway within the Township of Montgomery.

K. All notices posted in accordance with § 170-14 shall be strictly obeyed.

L. All licensees shall wear a visible tag or otherwise display the name of the organization for which they are soliciting or peddling and their name, the tag to be displayed on the left lapel or chest and the tag to be secured from the Township Registration Authority (Montgomery Township Police Department).

M. All advertising materials distributed by a licensee upon private property shall be securely placed on a porch or doorway without the use of tape, tacks or nails to prevent littering so that the materials will not be carried from the building or residence by the elements.

### § 170-13 LICENSE EXEMPTIONS

A. The following persons shall be exempt from the obligation to apply for and receive a license as otherwise required by this chapter:

(1) A roadside stand whereat farmers sell products grown on their own farms in Montgomery Township or farmers seeking or taking orders for the sale of their farm products and garden produce grown upon their own land.

(2) Persons who have prior invitation of the property owner to come upon their property for the purpose of seeking or taking orders by any manufacturer, producer or distributor for the sale of bread and bakery products, meat and meat products or milk and milk products as part of an established and recognized delivery route.

(3) Persons taking orders for merchandise from dealers, merchants or manufacturers at their regular place of business and for business use.

B. Nothing herein shall prevent Montgomery Township or its agents or authorized representatives from requesting any person exempt from the provisions of this chapter to identify himself prior to engaging in

soliciting or peddling for that person's own safety and the general safety and welfare of the residents of the Township.

### § 170-14 NOTICE REGULATING SOLICITING OR PEDDLING

Any person, who is an occupant of a Township residence, desiring to limit or protect his privacy in regards to soliciting or peddling, may do so by complying with the following requirements:

A. Notice of the determination by any occupant of any residence within the Township of a refusal of invitation to solicitors or peddlers shall be given by notice posted on the premises in one of the two following manners:

(1) NO SOLICITORS OR PEDDLERS.

(2) NO SOLICITORS OR PEDDLERS AFTER \_\_\_\_ P.M.

B. Any occupant desiring to prohibit or further limit the solicitation or peddling hours of 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., as set forth in § 170-12E of this chapter, shall post the appropriate notice on his property, in accordance with § 170-12A of this chapter.

C. The letters utilized in the notice shall be at least one inch in height. For the purpose of uniformity, the notice cards shall be provided by the Township to persons requesting them at the cost thereof.

D. Such notice so exhibited shall constitute sufficient notice to any solicitor or peddler of the determination by the occupant of the residence of the information contained thereon.

E. It shall be the duty of every solicitor or peddler, upon going onto any premises in the Township on which a residence is located, to examine and look for the notice provided for in Subsection A above, if any is posted, and be governed by the statement contained on the notice. If the notice states NO SOLICITORS OR PEDDLERS, then the solicitor or peddler shall immediately and peacefully depart from the premises. If the notice states NO SOLICITORS OR PEDDLERS AFTER \_\_\_\_ P.M., then the solicitor or peddler shall immediately and peacefully depart from the premises if the time of day is after that indicated in the notice.

F. In any residential development where there exists a lawfully constituted homeowners' association whose membership consists of all owners of dwelling units within the development, it shall be lawful for the association, upon the consent of a majority of its members, to post the notice authorized under Subsection A hereinabove upon signs posted conspicuously at all entrances to the development, subject to the sign requirements of Chapter 230, Zoning, in lieu of posting of notices at each residence. It shall be the duty of every solicitor or peddler, upon entering a development, to examine and look for such notice at the entrance thereto and be governed accordingly as set forth under Subsection E hereinabove.

G. It shall be a violation of this chapter if any solicitor or peddler refuses to comply with any notice so posted in accordance with this chapter.

## § 170-15 VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

A. The provisions of this chapter shall be enforced by the Montgomery Township Police Department who shall have the power to determine in each instance whether a violation has occurred. Any person who shall violate or permit the violation of any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction of a summary offense before a District Justice, be sentenced to pay a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per violation with costs of prosecution and, in default of the payment of such fine and costs, be sentenced to undergo imprisonment to the extent allowed by law for the punishment of summary criminal offenses. A separate offense under this chapter shall be deemed to occur for each day or portion thereof in which a violation is found to exist or for each section of this chapter which is found to have been violated. All fines and penalties collected for the violation of this chapter shall be paid to the Township Treasurer.

B. In addition to the penalty provisions hereinabove, the Township Manager or his or her designee may institute proceedings in equity to compel compliance with this chapter.