



## **Peddlers and Solicitors in Maplewood**

The City of Maplewood does not require registration, permits or licenses for peddlers and solicitors to operate in Maplewood. However, all peddlers and solicitors are required to adhere to Maplewood City Code.

### **Maplewood Code of Ordinances – Chapter 28 – PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS**

- **28.1 – Definitions**

***Peddler*** means any person with no fixed place of business within the city, who goes from house to house, door to door, business to business, street to street, or any type of place-to-place movement, for the purpose of offering for sale, displaying or exposing for sale, selling or attempting to sell, and delivering immediately upon sale, the goods, wares or merchandise, or other personal property that the person is carrying or otherwise transporting.

***Solicitor*** means any person who goes from house to house, door to door, business to business, street to street, or any type of place-to-place movement, for the purpose of taking or attempting to take orders for the purchase of any goods, wares, products, merchandise, or other personal property, or service which he or she may be carrying or transporting samples, or that may have been described in a catalog or by other means, and for which delivery or performance shall occur at a later time.

- **28.3- Hours** – No peddler, solicitor, transient merchant shall engage in any related activities within the city between the hours of **9:00 pm and 8:00 am**.
- **28.4 – Prohibited activities** – No peddler, solicitor, transient merchant or other person engaged in other similar activities shall conduct business in any of the following manner:
  - Calling attention to his or her business or the items to be sold by means of blowing any horn or whistle, ringing any bell, crying out, or by any other noise, so as to be unreasonably audible within an enclosed structure.
  - Obstructing the free flow of traffic, either vehicular or pedestrian, on any street, sidewalk, alleyway, or other public right of way.
  - Conducting business in a way as to create a threat to the health, safety, and welfare of any specific individual or the general public.
- **Sec. 28.5 – Placard or sign prohibiting peddlers, solicitors and transient merchants – (c)** No peddler, solicitor or transient merchant shall enter upon any premises to attempt to enter upon any premises where such a placard or sign is displayed. No person, other than the person occupying such premises, shall remove, injure or deface such placard or sign.

Any person violating any section of this chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished in accordance with Maplewood City Code section 1-15.