

BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULATION

HAWKERS AND PEDDLERS

Date Approved by BOS:

Signature of Chair:

June 18, 2007

Jeanne Krieger

For the purpose of promoting and preserving the public health, safety and convenience and acting under the authority of General Laws Chapter 101 Sections 22, 23 and 24, and all acts in amendment thereof and in addition thereto, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Lexington hereby make and adopt the following rules and regulations for hawkers and peddlers.

1. No person shall act at any time or place in the Town of Lexington as a hawker or peddler without first having obtained a license under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
2. No person shall act at any time or place in the Town of Lexington as a hawker or peddler unless he shall, upon receiving a license from the Director of Standards in the Executive Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulations, report in person to the Chief of Police of the Town of Lexington and furnish evidence of such license and other information as shall be required by said Chief of Police.
3. No hawker or peddler shall permit or cause a vehicle of any kind to stand nor shall he attempt to sell, solicit sales or make any sales within a distance of 50 yards of any church, school or other public facility in the Town of Lexington without a special permit issued by the Board of Selectmen or Town Manager.
4. No hawker or peddler shall permit or cause a vehicle of any kind to stand nor shall he attempt to sell, solicit sales, or make any sales within a distance of 1000 feet of any cemetery, public park, playground, recreation facility or any land or building structure set aside in said Town of Lexington for historical purposes without a special permit issued by the Board of Selectmen or Town Manager.
5. No hawker or peddler shall attempt to sell, solicit sales or make any sales within a distance of 200 yards of the Jack Eddison Bikeway without a special permit issued by the Board of Selectmen or Town Manager.
6. No hawker or peddler shall permit or cause a vehicle of any kind to stand nor shall he attempt to sell, solicit sales or make any sales on Massachusetts Avenue from the Arlington line to the Lincoln line nor within a distance of 200 feet of said Massachusetts Avenue without a special permit issued by the Board of Selectmen or Town Manager.

7. No hawker or peddler shall: 1) permit or cause a vehicle of any kind to stand; or 2) attempt to sell, solicit sales or make any sales within the Town of Lexington before 11:00 a.m. or after 7:00 p.m. or ½ hour after sunset, whichever is earlier, without a special permit issued by the Board of Selectmen or Town Manager; provided, however, that this paragraph shall not apply to Patriot's Day.
8. Hawkers and peddlers may make reasonable announcement of the merchandise which they have for sale, but loud outcries, the ringing of bells or cymbals or the making of any mechanical noise will not be permitted at any time or place.
9. Hawkers and peddlers must apply to the Police Department for a permit to canvass the Town; permit fee of \$25.00 to be charged by the Police Department.

Amendment 7 adopted 4/8/1974

Amendment 8 adopted 12/16/1991

Amendment 10 adopted 2/12/1990

Amendment 5 adopted 5/24/1993

Regulation revised 6/2007 (remove #7, increase fee, add special permit to #3, 4, 5, 6, 8).