

CHAPTER 203

PEDDLERS, TRANSIENT MERCHANTS, SOLICITORS, PRODUCE & RELIGIOUS GROUPS

203.00 PEDDLERS, TRANSIENT MERCHANTS, SOLICITORS, PRODUCE & RELIGIOUS GROUPS. For the purpose of this chapter, certain words and terms are defined as follows:

Subd. 1. Peddler. Means any person, firm or corporation who goes from dwelling to dwelling, business to business, place to place or from street to street, carrying or transporting goods, wares or merchandise and offering or exposing them for sale.

Subd. 2. Solicitor. Means any person, firm or corporation who goes from dwelling to dwelling, business to business, place to place or from street to street, soliciting donations or attempts to take orders for any goods, wares or merchandise for future delivery.

Subd. 3. Transient Merchant. Means any person, firm or corporation who engages temporarily in the business of selling and delivering goods, wares or merchandise within the City, and who, in furtherance of such purpose, hires, leases, uses or occupies any building, structure, vacant lot, parking lot, motor vehicle, or trailer.

Subd. 4. Religious Groups. Means any person, firm or organization who goes from dwelling to dwelling, business to business, place to place or from street to street, carrying or distributing literature regarding religion or religious beliefs.

203.01 SOLICITORS, PEDDLERS AND TRANSIENT MERCHANTS, RELIGIOUS GROUPS; REGISTRATION/PERMIT REQUIRED. It is unlawful for any peddler, solicitor, transient merchant or religious group to engage in any such activity within the City of Chisago

without first registering with the City Administrator's office in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance. Registration does not exempt compliance with all other applicable local, state and federal laws.

Subd. 1 Registration. Persons registering under this ordinance shall file a sworn statement with the City Administrator's office on a form to be furnished by the City. The sworn statement shall provide:

- A) Name and driver's license number or other acceptable photo identification of the person registering;
- B) The permanent home address of the applicant and the address of the place of business or the firm or corporation which the applicant represents;
- C) A description of the nature of the business and the goods to be sold;
- D) The length of time for which the right to do business is required.
- E) In cases of transient merchant sales, the applicant must also provide:
 - 1) Proof of appropriate permission to operate on proposed site.
 - 2) A copy of the firm or individual's sales tax permit. The sales tax permit must be posted at the site.

203.02 SOLICITOR, PEDDLERS AND TRANSIENT MERCHANTS;
REGISTRATION/PERMIT FEE. At the time of registration, the person registering shall pay a fee to cover the administrative costs of processing. The following is the fee structure for permits:
PEDDLERS/SOLICITORS/RELIGIOUS GROUPS...\$100.00/per month
TRANSIENT MERCHANTS..... \$25.00/per day weekdays
\$40.00/per day weekends

- 203.03 PERSONS WORKING FOR ASSISTING REGISTRANT. The registrant shall also supply the name and address of all persons working for or assisting the registrant.
- 203.04 REGISTRATION IDENTIFICATION. To identify that they have duly registered with the City, all registered solicitors and peddlers shall carry the registration/permit with them at all times. All transient merchants shall conspicuously display a registration permit issued by the City.
- 203.05 PRACTICES PROHIBITED. No Peddler or Solicitor shall enter in or upon any premises or attempt to enter in or upon any premises wherein a sign bearing the notice, "Peddlers or Solicitors Prohibited", or language similar thereto, is located.
- 203.06 REGISTRATION PERIOD. Registration shall be valid for the following time periods:
- Peddlers/Solicitors/Religious Groups.....
- 30 days from date of issuance
 - Peddlers/Solicitors/Religious Groups may operate between 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. ONLY.
- Transient Merchants...Per day basis, valid for days paid.
- Transient Merchants may operate between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. ONLY.
- 203.07 FARM AND GARDEN PRODUCTS EXCEPTION. In accordance with Minnesota Status 329.08, the provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to persons selling products of the farm or garden occupied and cultivated by themselves. However, registration of Farm & Garden Product sales is required. The City will not issue more than four permits at a time for the sale of farm and garden products. These permits are issued on a first-come-first-serve basis, and are issued as seasonal permits.

- 203.08 SPECIAL EVENTS EXCEPTION. The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to special events such as Ki-Chi-Saga Days, etc. which are citywide celebrations and which received special permission from the City Council.
- 203.09 NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION. I. E. BOY SCOUTS, GIRL SCOUTS, ETC. The provision of this ordinance shall not apply to non-profit organizations/groups (as listed above) and which receive special permission from the City Council.
- 203.10 PENALTY. Any person violating any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Adopted this 13th day of June 2000. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication in the Chisago County Press.

ATTEST:

Mark Wm Hanson, Mayor

Amy Oehlers, Administrative Director

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