



APPLICATION FOR PUBLICATION SOLICITATION PERMIT

NOTE: Permit expires on December 31 of the current year

Date: _____

Name of Registrant: _____
(first middle last name)

Address: _____

(include city, state, zip code) _____

Telephone Number: _____

Name and address of organization (if any) employing registrant:

Name or description of publications to be sold or for which solicitation is to be made:

Date solicitation or sales are to commence: _____

Date solicitation or sales are to cease: _____

The above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have read the attached regulations and understand any violation of City Code will result in revocation of my registration.

Registrant

Permit issued _____ and will expire December 31, 20 _____.

City Secretary

ARTICLE V. - PUBLICATION SALES AND SOLICITATION

Sec. 16-90. - Definition.

For the purposes of this article, publication solicitation means conduct whereby a person sells or takes orders for sales of newspapers, magazines, or other publications (including audio and visual recordings). Publication solicitation is exempt from all other provisions of this chapter except section 16-1 which is specifically applicable to publication solicitation.

(Ord. No. 1202, § 2, 8-11-87)

Sec. 16-91. - Registration; identification badge.

- (a) A person who engages in publication solicitation and who goes personally from house to house shall first register with the city secretary giving the following information:
 - (1) Name of registrant and residence address.
 - (2) Name and address of organization (if any) employing registrant.
 - (3) Names or description of publications to be sold or for which solicitation is to be made.
 - (4) Date solicitations or sales are to commence and cease.
- (b) Registration expires at 12:00 midnight December 31 each year and must be renewed annually. If a change occurs in any of the information submitted with the registration, the person or organization shall notify the city secretary of the change.
- (c) The city secretary shall, within two (2) business days after the submission of the application, issue to the applicant an easily readable identification badge meeting the requirements of subsection (d) hereof. Such badge shall be displayed upon request of any person upon whom such solicitor calls and upon the request of any city police officer.
- (d) The identification badge required by subsection (c) must contain:
 - (1) The name of the person to whom it is issued.
 - (2) The name of the organization (if any) which employs or pays the commission of the person doing the solicitation.
 - (3) The words "publication solicitation."
 - (4) The date issued.

(Ord. No. 1202, § 2, 8-11-87)

Sec. 16-92. - Prohibited conduct; penalty; suspension, cancellation of registration.

- (a) A person engaged in publication solicitation shall not:
 - (1) Go from house to house without first registering as herein required.

- (2) Refuse to display the registration badge provided to him.
 - (3) Misrepresent to the city secretary, or any person solicited for a sale or order, the purpose of the solicitation, the identity of the organization doing the solicitation, the identity of the person doing the solicitation, the price of a publication, its source, or the beneficiary of profits derived from solicitation.
 - (4) Obstruct or impede the passage of a pedestrian or vehicle.
 - (5) Make physical contact with the person being solicited without the permission of such person.
- (b) Conduct prohibited by subsection (a) of this section shall be deemed a misdemeanor.
- (c) Should a violation of subsection (a)(3) of this section come to the attention of the city secretary, such officer shall immediately suspend the registration of the person alleged to have made such misrepresentation and notify the person of the availability of a hearing before the city secretary or a designee. Unless a request for a hearing is received within five (5) business days of the date notice is mailed by the city secretary, such suspension shall become final and such registration shall be cancelled. If a request for a hearing is received, a hearing shall be afforded before the city secretary or his designated examiner within three (3) business days of the request. After the hearing the person holding the hearing shall immediately either lift the suspension or, if it is concluded that and such conclusion is supported by substantial evidence that a violation has occurred, cancel the registration. No new registration shall be issued such person for a period of six (6) months following such cancellation.
- (d) Any person denied a registration or whose registration has been cancelled may seek relief by filing a petition for certiorari to a district court of Tarrant County, Texas, within twenty (20) days of the act complained of.

(Ord. No. 1202, § 2, 8-11-87)