



ROCKY MOUNT, NC
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APPLICATION FOR PERMIT Begging and Panhandling

In compliance with the Ordinance of the City of Rocky Mount, the undersigned hereby makes application for a permit to beg/solicit:

Name of Applicant:	Primary Contact #:	Secondary Contact #:	
Mailing Address:			
Social Security #:			
Height:	Weight:	Race:	Eye Color:
Date of Birth:	Sex:	Age:	Hair Color:
Photo ID #:	Type of Photo ID Presented:		
Next of Kin:		Contact #:	
Description of activity to be conducted or types of goods/services offered for sale:			
Issuance Date (Valid for 1 year):		Expiration Date:	

I have reviewed the City of Rocky Mount Ordinance information on the back of this application and agree to comply with all provisions outlined. I understand that the permit may be denied upon a finding of reasonable cause as specified in the ordinance. **This application must be signed in the presence of a City of Rocky Mount Employee.**

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY:

Chief of Police Signature: _____ Date: _____

City Manager Signature: _____ Date: _____

Do you approve of the applicant? YES _____ NO _____

Reason for denial: (If applicable)



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City of Rocky Mount Ordinance Section 14.13 States:

Prohibited Acts:

- Panhandle without having and displaying a valid permit as required by 14-13(b).
- Panhandle in an aggressive manner in any public place.
- Panhandle in a manner that obstructs pedestrian traffic or vehicular traffic
- Panhandle within twenty (20) feet of any entrance or exit of any financial institution, check-cashing business, or automated teller machine regardless of whether such automated teller machine is located at or near a financial institution.
- Panhandle within twenty (20) feet of any outdoor dining area or outdoor merchandise area, provided such areas are in active use at the time.
- Panhandle an operator or other occupant of a motor vehicle for the purpose of performing or offering to perform a service in connection with such vehicle or otherwise soliciting the sale of goods or services. This subsection shall not apply to services rendered in connection with emergency repairs requested by the operator or passenger of such vehicle.
- Panhandle an operator or occupant of a motor vehicle on a public street in exchange for blocking, occupying or reserving a public parking space, or directing the operator or occupant to a public parking space.
- Panhandle while under the influence of alcohol or after illegally using or consuming any controlled substance as defined in the North Carolina Controlled Substance Act.
- Panhandle in any public transportation vehicle; or at any bus, train, or taxi station or stop, or within twenty (20) feet of the entrance or exit of any bus, train, or taxi station or stop.
- Panhandle after sunset or before sunrise, but in no event earlier than 8:00 a.m. or later than 8:00 p.m. For purposes of enforcement of this section, the terms “sunrise” and “sunset” shall be determined by and based on the times for those events published daily by the U.S. Naval Observatory Astronomical Applications Department.
- Panhandle while standing, lying or sitting in the travelled portion of any roadway, right-of-way, street or highway including the shoulder or median.

Penalties:

- Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor as provided by North Carolina General Statutes 14-4, and, upon the first conviction, shall be subject to a maximum fine of fifty dollars (\$50) or imprisonment for a period not to exceed seven (7) days, or both,
- Upon the second or subsequent conviction shall be subject to a maximum fine of five hundred dollars (\$500.00), or imprisonment for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or both.
- In addition to any criminal enforcement, the City or any aggrieved person may pursue any available civil remedies deemed appropriate and necessary.

** A full copy of the ordinance is available upon request **