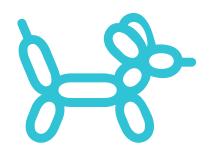
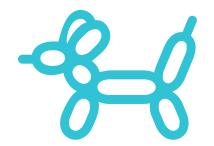
Outdoor Special Events & Permits Briefing



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What are special events?

Large outdoor gatherings

- Range from family reunions to festivals
- Build sense of community
- Highlight our diversity or culture
- Social outlets
- Shared experiences
- Celebrations
- Can be educational, service and/or fun



Most do not require a City permit







You DON'T need a permit if:



You are not on City property (your property or another private owner's with permission) with **fewer than 250 people**









NO closing a street

NO admission

NO mobile vendors



You DON'T need a permit if:



You are in a City park or shelter with **fewer** than 250 people*











NO closing a street

NO admission

NO mobile vendors

NO alcohol



Why require a permit for other events?





To ensure that all events are conducted in a safe and orderly fashion

Minimize negative impacts on special event participants, spectators, and the general public



Different events, different permits

Neighborhood-Scale Public Special Events



City-Scale Private Special Events



City-Scale Public Special Events

*Other events may require a permit if deemed by the Special Event Coordinator to affect public safety, health, or welfare by its impact on the general public or surrounding properties.



Neighborhood-scale special event:



Still under 250 people, held on specific City property identified on the neighborhood-scale public special event map (mostly larger park sites)*











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NO alcohol



Neighborhood-scale special event:



What do I need for a permit? Information about things like:









Parking



Amplified music

Amusements/
inflatables/
rides (require
separate permit
through
Community
Development)



City-scale special event: Any 1 of these



250 or more people











Admission fee









Mobile vendors



Exceptions (the fine print)

- 1. School/college activities taking place on school property, unless the event requires closure of a public street or use of additional City staff.
- 2. Normal use of City-owned or leased outdoor recreational facilities, including golf courses and Hampton BMX, unless the event requires closure of a public street or use of additional City staff.
- 3. Normal events taking place at open-air venues permitted by the City Zoning Ordinance when the event will not exceed the capacity on the certificate of occupancy.



Submit an application: hampton.gov/specialeventspermits

Submission Date	Special Event	Guidelines	Fee
90 days prior	City-Scale Event	Anticipated attendance 500+ (and/or) requires road closure	\$50
60 days prior	City-Scale Event	Anticipated attendance of 251 to 499	\$50
30 days prior	Neighborhood-Scale Event	Anticipated attendance of 250 or less; identified locations	\$25; Free for Registered Neighborhood Organizations

Application approval notification

- Special Event Committee may have questions or issues; must be satisfied
- All necessary departments must sign approval
- Signature page filed with the Special Event Coordinator
- Applicant will receive a permit to be displayed at the event
- May be approved with or without conditions
- Must be obtained a minimum of 5 days prior to the event
- If permit is denied, applicant will be told why



Revocation of an event permit

BEFORE AN EVENT

 Upon consultation with the appropriate public safety forces when the health or safety of the public is threatened by an emergency, disorder or other unforeseen conditions.

DURING AN EVENT

- If a permit is revoked, the event must be canceled and activities terminated immediately.
- Determined by senior safety officials on-site and/or with the approval of the City Manager or designee.



Enforcement: 1st offense

Failure to obtain a special event permit when required, or violation of the terms and conditions of an approved special event permit:

- Written notice of violation shall be issued by the Special Event Coordinator to the applicant or the applicant's organization and the property owner; and
- Neither the applicant, the applicant's organization, nor the property owner shall be eligible to apply for a special event permit for 18 months from the date of violation.



Enforcement 2nd offense

- Written notice of violation issued by the Special Event Coordinator to the applicant or the applicant's organization and property owner;
- Neither the applicant, the applicant's organization, nor the property owner shall be eligible to apply for a special event permit for 18 months from the date of violation; and
- A person convicted of a second offense under this article shall be guilty of a Class 4 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$250.



Enforcement 3rd offense

- Written notice of violation issued by the Special Event Coordinator to the applicant or the applicant's organization and property owner;
- Neither the applicant nor the property owner shall be eligible to apply for a special event permit for 18 months from the date of violation; and
- A person convicted of a third or subsequent offense under this article shall be guilty of a Class 3 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to \$500.
- Each day this article is violated shall constitute a separate offense.



Available resources

Outdoor Special Event Permit information, forms:

hampton.gov/specialeventspermits

- Need assistance?
 - (757) 727-6640
 - eventpermits@Hampton.gov



Have fun, be safe, & respect others

