

**TOWNSHIP OF LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK**

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**PEDDLING AND SOLICITING INFORMATION FORM**

*Additional information may be requested by the Chief of Police or his designee*

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Person filing this Form:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Company or Organization you represent:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Your Age:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Your Driver's License #** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you ever been convicted of a crime, misdemeanor or disorderly conduct offense. If the answer is Yes, then fill out Where, When so convicted, the nature of the offense and the penalty if any:**

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**Your Home Address, Phone number and Cell Phone Number:**

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**Your Company's or Organization's Home Address and Phone number:**

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**Describe the nature of the business, goods or services you wish to peddle or solicit:**

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**Describe all Vehicles to be used: Make, Model, Color, State of Registration and License Plate Numbers:**

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**Restrictions:**

All circulars, samples or other matter shall be handed to the occupant or left in a secure place.

No person shall solicit other than the hours of 9:00 am – 5:00 pm Monday through Saturday.

No person shall enter or attempt to enter any house or apartment without express invitation from the occupant of the house or apartment.

No person shall conduct himself or herself in any manner to become objectionable or annoy any person while soliciting.

No person shall solicit within the Township where notified by sign that soliciting is prohibited.

I have provided true and correct information and will follow all restrictions so imposed;

**Signature of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Below to be filled out by Township Officials Only**

**Description of Individual:**

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**\$10.00 fee paid to the Clerk of the Township on** \_\_\_\_\_.

**THIS CERTIFICATE EXPIRES ON** \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Signature of the Chief of Police or Director of Public Safety.**

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**Signature Municipal Clerk**

## **CHAPTER 130**

### **PEDDLING AND SOLICITING**

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek 5-2-83 as Ord. No. 83-10. Amendments noted where applicable.]

#### **§ 130-1. Registration required; exemptions.**

No person, except as provided herein, shall canvass, solicit, distribute circulars or other matter or call door to door or place to place in the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, without first registering with the Chief of Police or, in his absence, the officer in charge of the Police Department. Distribution of newspapers, supplements thereto and advertising circulars and canvassing by political candidates or other person campaigning in regard to public questions are hereby exempt from the provisions of this chapter, subject, however, to the requirements contained in § 130-8 requiring that all circulars or samples be left in a secure place on the premises.

#### **§ 130-2. Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

CANVASSER or SOLICITOR — Includes itinerant vendors of merchandise who shall go from door to door in this township selling, causing to be sold, offering for sale or taking orders for present or future delivery of merchandise of any description whatever. A ‘canvasser or solicitor’ shall also be deemed to be one who is not in the business of selling goods, but one who makes surveys for research purposes, analyses, opinion polls, rating data, and any such similar work which by its nature involves a door-to-door or place-to-place activity, and shall include persons going from door to door or place to place for the purpose of contributions, donations or alms for any persons or organization.

**MERCHANDISE** — Includes magazines, periodicals, books and orders or contracts for a service, home improvement or alteration.

**§ 130-3. Purpose.**

The purpose of this chapter is to prevent fraud, crime and unethical and dishonest business practices, and for the general protection, health and welfare of the residents of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek.

**§ 130-4. Information required.**

Each registrant shall, at the time of registering, file with the Chief of Police an application in writing, which shall give the following information:

- A. Name, age and physical description of the applicant.
- B. Complete permanent home and local address of the applicant.
- C. Name and address of the organization or person for whom the solicitation is being made.
- D. Description of the nature of the business and the goods, services or wares to be sold and sufficient information to determine whether or not the business to be transacted is interstate or intrastate commerce.
- E. Two (2) photographs of the applicant, which shall be approximately two and one-half by two and one-half (2-1/2 x 2-1/2) inches in size, showing the head and shoulders of the applicant in a clear and distinguished manner.
- F. A statement as to whether or not the applicant has been convicted of a crime, misdemeanor or disorderly conduct offense, where and when so convicted, the nature of the offense and the penalty, if any.
- G. The make, model, year, color and license plate number of automobiles used by the applicant during the period of solicitation within the township and the number of his driver's license and the state of issuance.

**§ 130-5. Separate registration required.**

A separate registration must be made for every solicitor, agent or employee soliciting within the township limits.

**§ 130-6. Issuance of registration certificate; fee; renewal.**

- A. Each registrant, upon being so registered, shall be issued within a reasonable time a registration certificate by the Chief of Police, upon which shall be affixed one (1) photograph of the applicant signed by the Chief of Police or, in his absence, the person acting in his place, so that part of his signature covers part of the photograph.

B. Each registrant shall immediately pay to the Township Clerk a license fee of ten dollars (\$10.). Such license shall be issued for a period of thirty (30) days and may be renewed for additional thirty-day periods without payment of fee; provided, however, that all rights of renewal shall expire on December 31 of the year of issue and shall not be transferable.

**§ 130-7. Possession of certificate; inspection upon request.**

Each registrant shall carry the registration certificate at all times when in the township and shall exhibit it to any citizen or police officer upon request. Upon expiration of the registration certificate, it shall be returned by the registrant to the Lower Alloways Creek Police Department.

**§ 130-8. Restrictions.**

Every person to whom a registration certificate is issued under the terms of this chapter shall be governed by the following rules and regulations:

A. All circulars, samples or other matter shall be handed to an occupant of the property or left in a secure place on the premises.

B. No person. subject to the provisions of this chapter shall canvass, solicit or distribute circulars or other matter, except during the hours between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

C. No person subject to the terms of this chapter shall enter or attempt to enter the house or apartment of any resident in the Township of Lower Alloways Creek without an express invitation from the occupant of the house or apartment.

D. No person subject to the terms of this chapter shall conduct himself in such a manner as to become objectionable to or annoy any person while soliciting within the township limits.

E. No person subject to this chapter shall make any solicitation within the township limits where solicitors are notified by a sign that soliciting is prohibited.

**§ 130-9. Additional exemptions.**

A. All residents of Lower Alloways Creek Township are exempt from this chapter.

B. Any person, organization or society or association of a charitable, religious, patriotic, philanthropic or community nature desiring to solicit or have solicited in its name money, property or financial assistance for which no merchandise, wares or services are required shall be exempt from § 130-4 and 130-6 of this chapter, provided that there is filed with the Chief of Police an application in writing giving the following information:

(1) Names of solicitors and purpose or cause for which the solicitation is being made.

(2) Names and addresses of the officers of the organization.

(3) Names and addresses of the agent or representatives who will solicit, canvass or distribute literature in the township.

Each solicitor for such organization, society or association shall carry proper identification and shall display same upon request.

C. Members of organizations, societies, associations of a charitable, religious or patriotic or philanthropic or community nature soliciting or canvassing members of their own organization are exempt from the provisions of this chapter. However, it is expressly provided that solicitation aforesaid is strictly limited to members of the particular organization.

D. United States war veterans and exempt firemen who are specially licensed pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:24-9 et seq.

**§ 130-10. Violations and penalties.**

Any person violating the terms of this chapter, whether as an individual, principal or agent or employee of another, shall, upon conviction in the municipal court of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, be subject to a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.) or to imprisonment in the county jail not exceeding ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the Municipal Court. The Director of Public Safety is hereby empowered to suspend the permit of any person charged with a violation of this chapter pending a hearing by the Municipal Court. The Municipal Court is further empowered to permanently revoke the permit upon conviction.