

Duties of Solicitors

Deceptive Soliciting Practices Prohibited

- 1. No Solicitor shall intentionally make any materially false or fraudulent statement in the course of Soliciting.
- 2. A Solicitor shall immediately disclose to the consumer during door-to-door solicitation the name of the Solicitor, the name and address of the entity with whom the Solicitor is associated, and the purpose of the Solicitor's contact with the person. This requirement may be satisfied through the use of the ID badge and informational flyer.
- 3. No Solicitor shall use a fictitious name, an alias, or any name other than his or her true and correct name.
- 4. No Solicitor shall represent directly or by implication that the granting of a permit implies any endorsement by the City of the Solicitor's goods or services or of the individual Solicitor.

No Solicitation Notice

- 1. Any occupant of a residence may give notice of a desire to refuse Solicitors by displaying a "No Solicitation" sign which shall be posted on or near the main entrance door or on or near the property line adjacent to the sidewalk leading to the residence.
- 2. The display of such sign or placard shall be deemed as notice to any Solicitor that the inhabitant of the residence does not desire to receive and does not invite Solicitors.
- 3. It shall be the responsibility of the Solicitor to check each residence for the presence of any such notice.
- 4. The provisions of this section shall also apply to Solicitors exempt from registration pursuant to the ordinance's provisions.

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- 1. Every person soliciting or advocating shall check each residence for any No Soliciting sign, placard, or any other notice or sign notifying a solicitor not to solicit on the premises. If such a sign or placard is posted, the Solicitor shall desist from any efforts to solicit at the residence or dwelling and immediately depart from such property. Possession of a permit does not in any way relieve any Solicitor of this duty.
- 2. It is a violation of the ordinance for any person soliciting or advocating to knock on the door, ring the doorbell, or in any other manner attempt to attract the attention of an occupant of a residence that bears a "No Solicitation" sign or similar sign or placard for the purpose of engaging in or attempting to engage in advocating a home solicitation sale or door-to-door soliciting.
- 3. It violates the ordinance for any Solicitor through a ruse, deception, or fraudulent concealment of purpose to solicit or take action calculated to secure an audience with an occupant at a residence.
- 4. Any Solicitor who is at any time asked by an occupant of a residence or dwelling to leave shall immediately and peacefully depart.
- 5. The Solicitor shall not intentionally or recklessly make any physical contact with or touch another person without the person's consent.
- 6. The Solicitor shall not follow a person into a residence without their explicit consent.
- 7. The Solicitor shall not continue repeated soliciting after a person has communicated clearly and unequivocally their lack of interest in the subject goods or services of the Solicitor.

8. The Solicitor shall not use obscene language or gestures.

Buyer's Right to Cancel

In any home solicitation sale, unless the buyer requests the Solicitor to provide goods or services without delay in an emergency, the seller or Solicitor shall present to the buyer and obtain the buyer's signature to a written statement that informs the buyer of his or her right to rescind or cancel the sale within three (3) business days pursuant to the requirements of Indiana Code 24-5-10 et seq.

Time of Day Restrictions

It shall be unlawful for any person, whether licensed or not, to solicit at a residence before 9:00 a.m. or after 8:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time unless the Solicitor has express prior permission from the resident to do so.

Penalties

Any person who violates any term or provision of the ordinance shall be guilty of a Class B Local Ordinance Violation and shall be punished by a maximum fine of \$1000. A separate offense shall be deemed committed upon each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

By my signature, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agreed to the policies and procedures as defined in this document. I further understand that violating the policies and procedures may result in my Solicitor privileges being revoked without reimbursement for fees paid or that I may be fined as outlined in this document.

Please Note: Any single violation of the following will result in immediate revocation of your solicitor permit.

I will not solicit outside the hours of 9:00 am and 8:00 pm EST. I will not approach the door of any residence with a posted NO SOLICITING sign. I will immediately and peacefully leave the property as soon as I am asked to do so. I will not solicit to minors.		
Signature	Printed Name	-
Date		