



VACAVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
SOLICITOR/PEDDLER INFORMATION

*Please read the following definitions of Solicitors, Peddlers, and Nonprofit Charitable Organizations.*

**Definition of Solicitor:** Any person who engages in the business of going from house to house, place to place, in or along the streets within the city selling or taking orders for or offering to sell or take orders for goods, wares, or merchandise or other things of value for future delivery or for services to be performed in the future. (VMO 9.18.042)

**Definition of Peddler:** Any person who sells and makes immediate delivery or offers for sale and immediate delivery any goods, wares, merchandise or thing in the possession of the seller at any place in the city other than at a fixed place of business but shall not include salesmen or agents for wholesale houses or firms who sell to retail dealers for resale or sell to manufacturers for manufacturing purposes or to bidders for public works or supplies (VMO 9.18.041)

**Definition of Nonprofit, charitable organization:** Any solicitor who claims to be entitled to an exemption from payment of any license provided for in this chapter upon the grounds that he or she is employed by a nonprofit charitable or fraternal organization shall file a written, notarized affidavit disclosing the following information: A list of all corporate officers of the organization, a financial statement for the business for the most recent fiscal year, the name of the immediate supervisor, the name and address of a person authorized to accept service of legal process for claimant, and any other information which the chief of police and collector may require to establish such claim of exemption. Thereupon said application shall be forwarded to the city council for its action upon the same and no such solicitor shall be entitled to solicit in the city unless and until the organization has obtained such permit. (VMO 9.18.110)

**If any of the above circumstance pertains to you and your organization you shall inform the Vacaville Police Department after receiving a business license. Solicitor/Peddler fee is \$ 35 per person at the time of filling out the Solicitor/Peddler Application (photo I.D required). The Solicitor/Peddler Permit expires the same date as the business license. Business licenses are issued annually May 1- April 30. Vacaville Police Department lobby hours: 8:30 am-4:30 pm.**

Solicitor permit required. Any peddler or solicitor being duly licensed according the provisions of this chapter shall, furthermore, carry on his person at all times while operating in the city, a solicitor's permit as furnished by the police chief. This permit shall be worn at all times on the outer garment of said solicitor. This permit shall serve as notice to the public that such solicitor is duly licensed by the city and has the necessary approval of the chief of police. (VMO 9.18.120)

**All peddling and solicitation shall take place between the hours of 9:00 am and 8:00 pm. (VMO 9.18.120)**

If you have any questions please call the Vacaville Police Department at (707) 449-5229.