



Business License Division
1339 Main Street (1st Floor) Columbia, SC 29201 • Phone: 803-545-3345
P.O. Box 147 Columbia, SC 29217

Applicant Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Permit Type: Annual (\$15) Daily (\$2.50)

Phone Number: _____ **Email:** _____

1. Performance Type

What type of performance do you plan to conduct? (Check all that apply)

- Singing
- Playing a musical instrument
- Dancing
- Acting or mime
- Juggling or magic
- Puppetry
- Sidewalk art (chalk, pastels, watercolor)
- Poetry or storytelling
- Other: _____

2. Use of Props or Materials

Will your performance involve any of the following?

- Fire or flames
- Knives or sharp objects
- Animals
- Fireworks or pyrotechnics
- Projectiles (e.g., slingshots, thrown objects)
- None of the above

3. Location & Spacing

Where do you plan to perform?

- Public sidewalk
- Public park
- During a city-authorized street event or festival
- Other: _____

Will your performance be within 100 feet of any of the following?

- School
- Library
- Church (while in session)
- Hospital
- Funeral home
- None of the above

Will you maintain at least 5 feet of sidewalk clearance for pedestrian access (ADA compliance)? Yes No

Will you be at least 50 feet away from other buskers or sidewalk vendors? Yes No



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4. Sound & Noise

Will your performance include any of the following?

- Acoustic music
Amplified music
Megaphone (only allowed at city-authorized events)
No sound

Will your performance occur between 10:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m.? Yes No

If yes, will it be within 100 feet of a residence, hotel, or motel? Yes No

If yes, do you have written permission from the property owner? Yes No

5. Conduct & Safety

My initials indicate I acknowledge and understand that as a busker I must abide by the following:

- Remove all props and trash after each performance? initial here
Avoid blocking sidewalks, driveways, crosswalks, or emergency access? initial here
Avoid performing under the influence of alcohol or drugs? initial here
Avoid interfering with parades, festivals, or community events? initial here

6. Donations

Will you be requesting donations? Yes No

If yes, will your sign be no larger than 12" x 18" and free of advertising?

Yes No

What type of receptacle will you use for donations?

- Open instrument case
Box or hat
Other:

7. Prior Permit History

Have you had a busker permit suspended or revoked in the past 12 months? Yes No

Signature

I certify that the information provided is true and that I understand and agree to comply with the City of Columbia's busking ordinance including always displaying the permit during the activity.

Signature: Date: