

**CITY OF SANTA MONICA
PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

**OUTDOOR DINING
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

1. Outdoor dining may only be permitted in areas where restaurants are otherwise permitted. Area cannot exceed 200 square feet.
2. Adequate pedestrian access must be provided, which is considered to be eight (8) feet of unobstructed access between chair/table and curb edge or street furniture; e.g., bus benches, meters, etc. Access may be less under certain circumstances, but cannot be less than five (5) feet of unobstructed access. A Seating Location Diagram must be provided to verify adequate access.
3. No alcohol of any type may be served. Violation of this condition shall result in immediate termination of the Minor Outdoor Dining & Sidewalk Use Permit.
4. The Permittee must obtain and furnish the City with proof of liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 for each occurrence for bodily injury and \$500,000 for property damage and show the City as an additional insured for the term of the permit. The insurance company shall notify the City if the insurance is canceled or revoked.
5. All chairs, tables and umbrellas shall be removed every day upon closing of the sidewalk service.
6. Hours of operation may be required to be limited depending upon location.
7. The authority to grant, renew, revoke or deny a Minor Outdoor Dining & Sidewalk Use Permit rests with the Directors of the Environmental & Public Works Management and Planning & Community Development Departments, whose decision shall be final.
8. The duration of the Permit shall be sixty (60) days. A renewal may be requested by applying to the Planning & Community Development Department.
9. The Permit fee shall be \$1.10 per square foot of overall area utilized each 60 days, of a minimum of \$110 for each 60 days, whichever is greater, plus a one-time planning review fee of \$95.59. There will be a double fee charged for permits not renewed on or before the expiration date.
10. Minor Outdoor Dining shall be considered a permitted use in all commercial districts and the Residential Visitor Commercial District subject to a Minor Outdoor Dining & Sidewalk Use Permit. Minor Outdoor Dining shall comply with the property development standards set forth in this Section and the property development standards for the district in which it is to be located as set forth in the City's Zoning Ordinance except to the extent inconsistent with this Section.
11. Minor Outdoor Dining shall be conducted as an accessory use to a legally established restaurant or other eating and drinking establishment that is located on a contiguous adjacent parcel.

12. Minor Outdoor Dining or Sidewalk cafes on the Third Street Promenade shall comply with the adopted Third Street Promenade Outdoor Dining Standards. Sidewalk cafes on the Transit Mall shall comply with the adopted Outdoor Dining Standards for Santa Monica Boulevard and Broadway. Sidewalk cafes on Ocean Avenue shall comply with the adopted Outdoor Dining Standards for Ocean Avenue.
13. If barriers are provided, they shall be in the manner required by the City including any applicable design guideline.
14. Awnings or umbrellas may be used in conjunction with Minor Outdoor Dining, but there shall be no permanent roof or shelter over the outdoor dining. Awnings shall be adequately secured, retractable, and shall comply with the provisions of the Uniform Building Code adopted by the City and any applicable design guideline.
15. The furnishings of the interior of the Minor Outdoor Dining area shall consist only of movable tables, chairs and umbrellas. Lighting fixtures may be permanently affixed onto the exterior front of the principal building. Fixtures shall also comply with any applicable design guideline.
16. No structure or enclosure to accommodate the storage of trash or garbage shall be erected or placed on, adjacent to, or separate from the Minor Outdoor Dining area on the public sidewalk or right-of-way. Minor Outdoor Dining areas shall remain clear of litter at all times.
17. The hours of operation of the Minor Outdoor Dining area shall be limited to the hours of operation of the associated restaurant or other eating and drinking establishment.
18. Minor Outdoor Dining that does not exceed two hundred square feet in area shall not be required to provide any additional parking. Outdoor Dining areas that exceed that size shall comply with parking requirements established in Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 9.04.10.08.040.