

BLOCK PARTY OR PLAY STREET PERMIT

Frequently Asked Questions HOLDERS

CAN I TEMPORARILY CLOSE MY STREET?

Almost any residential street can be closed for a Block Party or Play Street. However, they CANNOT:

- Be an arterial ([Find your street type here.](#)) Hint: click on your street and the closest cross streets to see if the “arterial classification” has the word “arterial” anywhere in the name. If it is “not designated,” it is not an arterial.
- Be longer than one block
- Include an intersection
- Include a bus route

HOW OFTEN CAN I CLOSE MY STREET?

The frequency depends on you and your neighbor’s preferences. At most, you can have a Block Party or Play Street up to three days per week for no more than twelve hours per week.

WHAT BARRICADES ARE REQUIRED TO RESTRICT NON-LOCAL VEHICLE TRAFFIC DURING A BLOCK PARTY OR PLAY STREET?

Please refer to the last page of the application for requirements and setup instructions.

CAN I RESTRICT ON-STREET PARKING DURING A BLOCK PARTY OR PLAY STREET?

Yes, if you do not want cars parked on the street during your event, you must rent temporary “No Parking” signs (that must be placed 72 hours in advance of the closure). You can rent these signs from a number of local companies, just search “rent no park signs Seattle”. After setting them up, you will need to complete an [online verification form](#) and attach the printout to the No Parking signs. This is encouraged for partial block closures to allow vehicles adequate space to turn around.

CAN I TELL DRIVERS THEY CANNOT USE THE STREET?

You need to allow access to anyone requesting it including deliveries, visitors, and emergency vehicles. Simply ask the driver to wait a moment while you ensure people are out of the street.

