

Application for Commercial Loading Permit

SDOT Traffic Permits ~ 700 Fifth Ave, 37th floor ~ P.O. Box 34996 ~ Seattle, WA 98124-4996

Phone: 206-684-5103 Fax: 206-684-5085

- Fill out and **sign** this application.
- Attach photocopy of current vehicle registration(s). Vehicle(s) must have **truck** or **commercial vehicle** license plates. Permits are not issued to any vehicle with passenger plates.
- Attach photocopy of current City of Seattle business license.
- Attach payment of \$195 for each vehicle. Make check payable to City of Seattle.

NOTE: PERMIT FEES ARE REDUCED TO \$98 ON JULY 1st

- Bring or mail application and attachments to the address listed above.

Business name: _____

Business address: _____

City of Seattle business license number (attach photocopy): _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Type of business & type of items handled (explain): _____

Vehicle #1: **[Permit # issued: _____ (office use)]** License # _____ Gross Vehicle Weight _____

Vehicle Type: Commercial Vehicle (see SMC11.14.115) Pickup Truck Other Truck

Station Wagon Van Two-door Car Three-door car (hatchback) Four-door car

Vehicle #2: **[Permit # issued: _____ (office use)]** License # _____ Gross Vehicle Weight _____

Vehicle Type: Commercial Vehicle (see SMC11.14.115) Pickup Truck Other Truck

Station Wagon Van Two-door Car Three-door car (hatchback) Four-door car

Vehicle #3: **[Permit # issued: _____ (office use)]** License # _____ Gross Vehicle Weight _____

Vehicle Type: Commercial Vehicle (see SMC11.14.115) Pickup Truck Other Truck

Station Wagon Van Two-door Car Three-door car (hatchback) Four-door car

[List additional vehicles on a separate sheet of paper]

I, the undersigned applicant certify that:

- *I have read and understand the City of Seattle Rules and Regulations regarding Commercial Load Zones*
- *The permitted vehicle(s) will not occupy a Commercial Load Zone for more than ½ hour, nor for any purpose other than the active process of loading or unloading commercial products or equipment.*
- *I will permanently affix the decal to the lower left hand (driver's side) corner of the windshield of the vehicle to which it was assigned.*
- *The information contained in this application is true and correct.*

Misrepresentation or abuse of permits may result in suspension of permits and citation by City of Seattle as per SMC 11.28.020

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Issued by: _____ Date: _____ Input _____

Comments: _____

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE LOAD ZONE RULES AND REGULATIONS

11.14.113 Commercial vehicle load zone

“Commercial vehicle load zone” means a portion of a street designated by a sign and yellow paint markings or other traffic-control devices that is reserved for the exclusive use of commercial vehicles or vehicles possessing a valid commercial loading permit.

11.14.115 Commercial vehicle

For purposes of this Code, the term “commercial vehicle” means (1) a “motor truck” or “truck” except a passenger car or (2) a station wagon or van that has been permanently modified to carry no more than three (3) seated passengers. Such vehicles shall be properly licensed as a truck and shall have the name of the business to which the vehicle is registered permanently displayed on both the left and right sides in letters no less than two inches (2”) in height.

11.23.030 commercial loading permit -- Requirements

A. The Traffic Engineer is hereby authorized to administer a system for the issuance of commercial loading permits and to collect fees therefore. Commercial loading permits shall only be issued to persons or entities that possess a current business license issued by any governmental jurisdiction. The applicant may obtain one (1) nontransferable permit for each truck licensed vehicle operated by the company named in the business license except as provided in subsection B of this section. The permit shall be permanently affixed to the lower left-hand corner of the vehicle’s windshield except as provided in subsection B of this section. The applicant shall provide the license plate number, as well as other vehicle identification information as determined by the Traffic Engineer.

B. Companies that operate a fleet of ten (10) or more commercial vehicles will be eligible to purchase one (1) transferable permit for every five (5) commercial vehicles in their fleet with nontransferable permits. The transferable permits shall only be used on other commercial vehicles in the company fleet while a commercial vehicle with a nontransferable permit is temporarily out of service. Transferable permits shall be displayed in the lower left-hand corner of the windshield. Under no circumstances shall a transferable permit be used on any vehicle other than a commercial vehicle.

C. Permits shall be valid for one (1) calendar year. Permits issued after July 1st of any calendar year shall have their fee reduced by fifty (50%) percent.

11.23.023 Commercial load zone permit – Fee

The fees to be collected by the Seattle Department of Transportation for trucking and parking permits are \$195 per permit (annual).

11.28.020 Abuse of commercial loading permits

A. No person shall for any valuable consideration transfer or authorize the use of a commercial loading permit or other identification issued by the City.

B. Any person or entity that is issued a commercial loading permit or authorization shall be strictly liable for compliance with its terms and conditions and complying with this subtitle. Any such permit or authorization issued shall be revoked if any person or entity to whom such permit is issued or authorization is granted shall:

1. Offer or agree to authorize or permit another person or entity to stand a vehicle in a commercial load zone or elsewhere for any monetary consideration;
2. Transfer for money the use of any permit or other identification issued by the City authorizing a vehicle to stand in a commercial load zone or elsewhere;
3. Allow another person or entity under his control to do as set out in either B1 or B2 of this subsection; or
4. Allow a permit or other authorization issued to him to be so used.

C. A new permit shall not be issued or other authorization granted to such a person or entity for a period of one (1) year.

11.72.020 Alley

No person shall stand or park a vehicle except a commercial vehicle, a vehicle displaying a valid commercial loading permit, or authorized emergency vehicle in an alley.

11.72.075 Commercial load zone

No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle other than a commercial vehicle or a vehicle displaying a valid commercial loading permit in a commercial load zone during the hours the zone restriction is in effect; provided, that commercial load zone restrictions are not effective on Sundays or public holidays, except where otherwise indicated by appropriate sign.

11.74.010 Loading in alleys

No person shall stop, stand or park a commercial vehicle or a vehicle displaying a valid commercial loading permit in any alley or any purpose or length of time other than the expeditious unloading and delivery or pickup and loading of property and then in on case shall such parking for loading and unloading of property exceed thirty (30) minutes.

11.74.030 Commercial load zone – Usage

No person shall stop a commercial vehicle or a vehicle displaying a valid commercial loading permit in a commercial load zone for any purpose or length of time other than for the expeditious unloading and delivery or pickup and loading of property. In no case shall such stopping for loading and/or unloading of commercial products exceed thirty (30) minutes. Such time and loading limitations shall be in effect during the days and times displayed on the traffic signs or marking at the zone.