

Special Conditions for the Inner Harbor

BOPA and Waterfront Partnership do not pay permit fees.

Areas that require a co-sponsor for an event – co-sponsor can be BOPA, Rec. & Parks, or Waterfront Partnership.

Historic Ships are allowed 5 private parties on Pier 5 or Constellation Dock per year. They pay for these permits. \$235

1. Rash Field. The area between or bounded by the Promenade to the north, Marina Garage to the east, Key Highway to the south, and Kaufman Pavilion on the west. Public events that are sponsored or co-sponsored by the City or non-profit organizations and demonstrations are allowed with a permit. Vending shall be allowed for special events only by permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
2. Kaufman Pavilion. The structure located on the south shore at the northwest corner of Rash Field. No “activities” are allowed without a permit. Public events, demonstrations, picnics, and private gatherings are allowed with a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
3. Ceremonial Steps. The brick area between the front of the Maryland Science Center and the Promenade. No “activities” are allowed without a permit. Public events that are sponsored or co-sponsored by the City and no more than five private gatherings per calendar year, sponsored by the Maryland Science Center, the Maryland Academy of Sciences, or any other entity that operates the Maryland Science Center are allowed with a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
4. West Shore Park.

NOTE: Reference Agreement with Waterfront Partnership – WFP is the official city Co-Sponsor for West Shore Park. All applications received from outside groups, get sent to Waterfront Partnership to see if they will co sponsor. If there is no City Co-sponsor, the event cannot take place.

The park area in the Inner Harbor Park bounded by the Visitor Center on the north, Light Street on the west, the Maryland Science Center on the south, and the Promenade on the east. West Shore Park consists of two areas: 1) great lawn (southern two-thirds) and 2) fountain (northern one-third).

No Tent Stakes allowed in West Shore Park Great Lawn because of irrigation system.

- Fountain. The existing paved area and location of the public fountain that is approximately one-third of the northern portion of the West Shore Park to the western edge of the Promenade. This area includes the triangular brick paved area adjacent to and west of the Waterfront Promenade between the northernmost steps to the West Shore Park and the northernmost concessions kiosk. Public events that are sponsored or co-sponsored by the City are allowed with a permit. Permits are usually not required for “speechmaking” of one or more two individuals speaking and addressing a gathering of interested bystanders about non-commercial matters. Speechmaking may be aided by props such as easels, posters, and other hand-held visual aids. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit. When the fountain is in operation, leafleting and speechmaking may not be conducted within 15 feet of the waters of the fountain.
- Great Lawn. The large grass open space, public walkways, steps to the promenade, public gardens and park services building that make up approximately two-thirds of the southern portion of the West Shore Park. Public or private events that are sponsored or co-sponsored by the City are allowed with a permit. Vending may be allowed for special events only by permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
- 5. Amphitheater. The outdoor theater area adjacent to the Promenade on the south side of the Pratt Street pavilion. No activities are allowed without a permit. Public events that are sponsored or co-sponsored by the City are allowed with a permit. The number of people allowed will be determined by the type of event and public safety considerations.

Leafleting is not allowed in the Amphitheater or in its seating area or in the brick areas on the sides of the Amphitheater that connect the Promenade with the plaza between the Amphitheater and Calvert Street. However, leafleting by up to 5 people is allowed northwest of the Amphitheater in the brick plaza located between the Amphitheater and Calvert Street, subject to the following:

B. Leafleting may occur in the brick plaza area, within the space bounded by the concrete lines bordering the flagpole areas, the street and a line running between the two flagpoles located by the pavilions and closest to the water.

C. Leafleting shall not take place within ten feet of any building or kiosk.

6. Constellation Dock. The dock area adjacent to the Promenade on the south side of the Pratt Street pavilion. No activities are allowed without a permit. Public events that are sponsored or co-sponsored by the City and no more than five private gatherings per calendar year sponsored by Historic Ships in Baltimore, Inc., or any other entity that operates the U.S.S. Constellation Museum, are allowed with a permit. In addition, demonstrations are allowed in the area of the pier south of the Constellation building with a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
7. Visitor Center (west side). The area west of the Visitor Center to the curb. Demonstrations involving more than 30 people are allowed with a permit. A demonstration of up to 30 people is allowed without a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
8. Area 10. No special event permits – this area is leased by the Aquarium. Contact Aquarium if a demonstration permit application is received. The grassy area between the World Trade Center and the Aquarium, west of the line of bollards/posts (extending south from the utility building) and north of the line of tree trunks along the south side. Demonstrations involving up to 30 people are allowed without a permit. Demonstrations involving more than 30 people are allowed with a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
9. McKeldin Square and Meyerhoff Fountain. McKeldin Square is the large brick plaza lying by the southeast corner of the intersection of Pratt and Light Streets. It is bounded on three sidewalks that are part of the Park and that are covered by these rules. The Meyerhoff Fountain is a large fountain structure surrounded by sidewalks and grassy areas located adjacent to McKeldin Square. For the purposes of these rules, the dividing line between the Square and the Fountain shall be the line of steps and the light poles separating the Fountain from the main open area of the Square.

Public events sponsored or co-sponsored by the City or non-profit organizations are allowed with a permit. Vending may be allowed by permit for special events only. Demonstrations involving up to 30 people are allowed without a permit. Demonstrations involving more than 30 people are allowed with a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.

No public event, picnic, private gathering, or demonstrations shall be held on the Meyerhoff fountain and/or walkways or grassy areas immediately surrounding the Fountain itself. No picnics shall be authorized on McKeldin Square.

10. Inner Harbor Park Promenade.

PROMENADE must remain open to the public during all events. Public events that are sponsored or co-sponsored by the City and non-profit organizations are allowed with a permit. Vending may be allowed by permit for special events only. Leafleting may occur on the interior one-half (land side) of the Promenade from the concrete stripe immediately west of the World Trade Center to the point where the Promenade turns from southwest to the south and then east up to and including Rash Field. Leafleting in these locations is allowed without a permit.

- Waterfront Promenade. The approximately seven(7) mile Waterfront Promenade follows the water's edge from Canton Waterfront Park through Canton, Fells Point,(including Broadway Pier) and Harbor East to connect with the Inner Harbor Park and along the south and east shore to Webster Street and includes all Public Access Corridors as designated in an Urban Renewal Plan or other controlling document and as new sections may be opened beyond these locations.

The Waterfront Promenade crosses public and private property. The publicly controlled property through which the Waterfront Promenade crosses includes the City parkland, Department of Transportation right-of-way, and land in urban renewal areas for which the Department of Housing and Community Development has authority. The privately controlled sections of the Waterfront Promenade are owned in fee or controlled privately under long-term ground leases. The private sections of the official Waterfront Promenade route are subject to stand-alone recorded Waterfront Promenade easements or easements contained in other agreements. The official Waterfront Promenade route and the sections of the Waterfront Promenade that are subject to Section VII, Rule 58 are shown on Exhibit B.

1. Unless temporary closure for private events is allowed under existing agreements between the City and property owners or ground leases, all activities on the Waterfront Promenade shall be free of charge and open to the public.
2. Unless temporary closure for private events is allowed under existing agreements between the City and property owners or

ground leases, the Waterfront Promenade will remain open year-round, 24 hours a day.

3. Vending is prohibited in the Waterfront Promenade without a written management lease, wharfage, or license agreement approved by the Director or Board of Estimates. Such management, lease, wharfage, or license agreement shall describe the type of vending allowed and may impose conditions under which the vending can occur.
4. Bicycles, skates, or skateboards may be in user's possession on the Waterfront Promenade but may not otherwise be used on the Promenade unless expressly approved by the Director.
5. No feeding of birds or animals from the Waterfront Promenade.
6. No feeding aquatic life from the Waterfront Promenade.
7. No diving, jumping or swimming from the Waterfront Promenade.
8. No fishing or crabbing from the Waterfront Promenade, except in designated areas.
9. No unauthorized docking of any vessels at, or adjacent to, any portion of the Waterfront Promenade except in designated areas. A fee is to be paid at the Dockmaster's office immediately after docking in designated areas of public wharfage.
10. Gates or any other barriers, whether fixed or temporary, obstructing the Waterfront Promenade, are not allowed.
11. Private Motorized Vehicles on the Waterfront Promenade.
 - a. Unless allowed under existing easement agreements, private motorized vehicles are not allowed on the Waterfront Promenade between 9:00a.m. and 11:00p.m. without a permit from the Director of Recreation and Parks. Permits may be granted only if vehicular access cannot be achieved during the hours for which permit is required.
 - b. Vehicles are allowed to drive on the promenade after 11:00p.m. and before 9a.m. without a permit if: 1) such access is necessary for deliveries, service providers, or construction vehicles; and 2) the purpose for which vehicular access to the

promenade is needed cannot to be accomplished by using public street or private driveway. Vehicles cannot remain or park on the promenade after the purpose for which access to the promenade was needed is completed.

12. Private motorized vehicles are not allowed on the Waterfront Promenade without written approval from the Director except in designated areas that are designed and approved for vehicular traffic.
13. No events, other than those expressly allowed in this section, will be allowed on the Waterfront Promenade unless allowed by easement agreements or by the Director. Leafleting and soliciting are allowed without a permit only on the interior one-half (land side) of the Promenade. No leafleting or soliciting is allowed on Promenade bridges or within 15 feet of either end of a bridge.
14. Broadway Pier. Public events and private gatherings attracting a maximum of 100 people are allowed on the pier area south of Thames Street to the water's edge with a permit. Demonstrations involving more 30 people are allowed on the pier area south of Thames Street to the water's edge with a permit. A demonstration of up to 30 people is allowed in the same area without a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
15. Broadway Square. Applicant Must contact Fells Point Main Street to discuss event. In the area north of the kiosk and the steps by Thames Street, public events, private gatherings and demonstrations of more than 30 people are allowed with a permit. Demonstrations of up to 30 people are allowed without a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
16. Canton Waterfront Park. (see map for area of park that events are allowed) In the park area north of the Waterfront Promenade, public events, demonstrations of more than 30 people and picnics are allowed with a permit. Demonstrations of up to 30 people are allowed without a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit. No events will be allowed on the Korean War Memorial.
17. Harris Creek Park. In the park area north of the Waterfront Promenade, public events, demonstrations of more than 30 people, and picnics are allowed with a permit. Demonstrations of up to 30 people are allowed without a permit. Leafleting by up to 30 people is allowed without a permit.
18. Pier 5. Leafleting is allowed on the half of the Promenade that does not border the water. No demonstrations are allowed on the grassy area. Any activity here does not include use of the Seven foot Knoll Lighthouse.