



City of Independence
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EVENT APPLICATION

City of Independence Municipal Code

Chapter 143.02 Street Closures

Chapter 143.03 Neighborhood Block Party

An application is required to regulate and provide for the temporary closing and use of streets, thoroughfares, and public ways for not-for-profit groups within the City. A Neighborhood Block Party is defined as an event open to a specific, defined neighborhood or area where no admission fee is charged for attendance; where alcoholic beverages are not sold; where a street is not closed more than six (6) hours; where the use of porta potties is not necessary.

- Event Applications must be submitted to the City Clerk's Office at least 30 days prior to the event.
- The Applicant must comply with all federal, state, county, and city laws, ordinances and regulations, including all regulations adopted and established by the City.
- Signatures of owners representing not less than 75% of the affected properties (commercial and residential) abutting the area of the street to be closed, is required.
- No major thoroughfare (arterial or collector streets) shall be blocked off without Council authorization.
- **Barricades are required.** The City can provide barricades for block parties if available. Arrangements must be made with the Streets Department at 319-334-4210 for pickup and return. Staff will NOT deliver barricades for block parties.
- The application must include a map of the specific area to be used and blocked off unless otherwise agreed to by the City.
- A fee of \$50.00 shall be submitted with each event application (**not needed for block parties**).
- The applicant for an event application shall submit an insurance plan with the application and certificate of insurance shall be submitted to the City Clerk. The certificate of insurance will show one million dollars (\$1,000,000) in liability coverage with the City named as an additional insured (**not needed for block parties**).
- The granting of a street closure does not establish a right to the applicant to serve alcoholic beverages upon public streets or property. If permission is granted to the applicant, the applicant shall also submit a separate liquor license liability insurance, with a maximum of \$1,000,000 per occurrence, at any time alcoholic beverages are sold or dispensed at an event.
- If alcohol will be sold, applicant must complete the application for a beer/liquor permit at www.iowaabd.com
- Event sponsors are responsible for the collection and cleanup of trash from the event. Groups who leave the street in a condition that requires cleanup will be charged for the cost of cleanup.
- Any music or other noise shall be kept to an acceptable level. Any reasonable complaint of disturbance of the peace may result in a warning. If additional reasonable complaints are received, the event may be terminated. The use of fireworks is not allowed except on allowed dates incorporated into the Independence Municipal Code. Persons using fireworks may be criminally charged and the event may be terminated.
- Any inflatable/bouncy house or tents must be installed on private property only and cannot be on the Street Pavement.



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Event Type: ☐ Street Closure ☐ Neighborhood Block Party

Event Description: _____

Date of Event: _____

Address of Event: _____

Time of Event: Start: _____ End: _____ (limited to 6 hours in residential districts
and eight (8) hours in commercial districts - between 9:00 am and 11:00 pm, Sunday through
Thursday and between 9:00 am and 12:30 am Friday and Saturday)

Street(s)/Block(s) to be closed: _____

The City of Independence has the right to deny the closure of any street.

Is Traffic Control Needed? YES NO

City Services Needed: _____

Contact Person: _____ Phone No: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Streets approved _____

Fire Department approved _____

Police Department approved _____

City Clerk approved _____

City Manager approved _____



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If a street is requested to be closed, the following section **must** be completed. Signatures of owners representing not less than 75% of the affected properties (commercial and residential) abutting the area of the street to be closed is required.

We, the undersigned business owner or resident, in the City of Independence, Iowa, do hereby agree to the closing of the following street(s) and or block(s) of street(s), as requested above.

Street(s)/Block(s) to be closed: _____

The City of Independence has the right to deny the closure of any street.

Signature	Address	Date	Phone Number

(If additional signatures are required, use another sheet of paper and attach)

I, _____ am acquainted with all persons who have signed the foregoing petition and know them to be business owners or residents over eighteen (18) years old of the area proposed to be closed. I further certify that the foregoing petition contains the appropriate number of signatures of the business owners and residents of the said area.

Signature of Circulator: _____ Phone No: _____