

## PAVEMENT LICENCE CONDITIONS

## **National Conditions**

The Secretary of State publishes these conditions in exercise of his powers under clause 5(8) of the Business and Planning Act 2020:

Condition relating to clear routes of access:

It is a condition that clear routes of access along the highway must be maintained, taking into account the needs of disabled people, and the recommended minimum footway widths and distances required for access by mobility impaired and visually impaired people as set out in Section 3.1 of Inclusive Mobility.

Guidance on the effect of this condition

- 1. To the extent that conditions imposed or deemed to be imposed on a pavement licence do not require the licence holder to require clear routes of access to be maintained, taking into account the needs of disabled people and the recommended minimum footway widths and distances required for access by mobility impaired and visually impaired people as set out in Section 3.1 of <a href="Inclusive Mobility">Inclusive Mobility</a>, the licence is granted subject to those requirements.
- 2. To the extent that a licence is granted subject to a condition which imposes requirements to maintain clear routes of access that are inconsistent with the requirements set out in this condition this condition is not imposed on the licence.

Smoke -free seating condition

It is a condition that, where the furniture to be put on the relevant highway consists of seating for use by persons for the purpose of consuming food or drink, the licence-holder must make reasonable provision for seating where smoking is not permitted.

## **Local Standard Pavement Licence Conditions**

1. Being the licence holder of a Pavement Licence does not imply an exclusive right to the area of public highway. The licence holder must be aware that the Council and others (e.g. police, highways authority, statutory undertakers) will need access at various times (including emergencies) for

maintenance, installation, special events, improvements etc or any other reasonable cause. This may mean that the pavement licence will need to cease operating and/or be removed for a period of time. On these occasions there would be no compensation for loss of business.

- 2. The Council requires evidence that the licence holder has Public Liability Insurance for the operation of the Pavement Licence. This must indemnify the Council and Lancashire County Council against all claims for injury, damage or loss to users of the public highway, arising from the use of the highway for the permitted purpose. The minimum level of indemnity must be £5 million in respect of any one incident.
- 3. Tables and chairs and other furniture permitted under the licence must not be placed in position outside of permitted times. When the licence is not in use, all tables and chairs and other furniture must be stored securely inside a premises away from the highway.
- 4. The Council and/or Lancashire County Council are empowered to remove and store or dispose of furniture from the highway, at the cost of the licensee, if it is left there outside the permitted hours, or should any conditions of the licence be ignored. The Council will not be responsible for its safekeeping.
- 5. The licence holder is not to make or cause to be made any claim against the Council in the event of any property of the licence holder becoming lost or damaged in any way from whatever cause.
- 6. An unimpeded pedestrian route must be maintained at all times for people wishing to use the footway as per the National Licence Conditions.
- 7. The method of marking the boundary of the licensed area must be agreed between the licence holder and the Council's Licensing Department. Whatever method is agreed a 2 metre clear walkway must be maintained for the use of pedestrians.
- 8. Emergency routes to the premises and adjacent buildings must not be obstructed by the pavement furniture, which should not, in normal circumstances, extend beyond the width of the premises frontage. A clear direct pathway of at least 1.2 metres shall be maintained to allow entry and exit from buildings and premises.
- 9. Tables and chairs should be of an approved type and should be kept in a good state of repair. Furniture should be placed so as not to obstruct driver sightlines, or road traffic signs. Placement of tables and chairs must allow pedestrians to use the footway parallel to the frontage of the premises. Care should be taken in the use of hanging baskets, awnings, protruding umbrellas etc. Alternative items may not be used without first seeking the written authority of the Council.
- 10. All potential obstructions must be removed from the public highway when the premises are closed to prevent a safety hazard to pedestrians, particularly during the hours of darkness.

- 11. The licensee should ensure that the area is operated in a safe and orderly manner, thereby ensuring that any safety risk or nuisance to customers, other users of the public highway or any adjacent land or premises, is minimised.
- 12. The operation of the area must not interfere with highway drainage arrangements.
- 13. If the area is used during the hours of darkness, suitable and sufficient lighting must be provided to ensure safe use of the area. Any proposals to provide additional lighting to the licensed areas must be agreed with the Highway Authority.
- 14. All detritus (food and drink remnants, spillages, bottles, cans, wrappers etc) be regularly removed from the footway surface to reduce hazards to pedestrians. The licence holder must make arrangements to regularly check for and to remove litter and rubbish on pedestrian walkways, caused by persons using the licensed area, for a distance of up to 10 metres from the boundary of the licensed area. The licence holder must ensure that any tables are cleared in an efficient manner during the hours of operation. The licence holder must ensure the licensed area and surrounding highway is to be washed down at the completion of each day's usage using a method sufficient to remove food debris, grease and other spillages that may occur.
- 15. The licence holder is not permitted to attach any fixtures, or make excavations of any kind, to the surface of the highway without prior written approval. Any costs incurred as a result of damage to the highway, due to the positioning of tables and chairs etc, will be recovered in full from the licence holder by the Council or the Highway Authority.
- 16. The Licensee of a premises not licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 or any modification or reenactment thereof, must not allow the consumption of alcohol within the licensed area.
- 17. The Licensee of a premises licensed under the Licensing Act 2003 or any modification or reenactment thereof, must not allow the consumption of alcohol within the licensed area outside the hours in force for the premises itself.
- 18. The licence must be displayed on the premises with a plan of the agreed layout in clear view.
- 19. The licensee is responsible for ensuring that the conditions of the licence and any other necessary permissions and regulations are adhered to. The Licence holder is to use the highway solely for the purpose of the licence in line with the provisions of this licence and for no other purpose whatsoever.
- 20. The licence holder must remove any tables, chairs and other furniture immediately at the end of the licence period or on revocation of the licence.
- 21. The Council reserves the right to revoke this licence at any time if any of the above conditions are not fulfilled and maintained.

- 22. Where intoxicating liquor is permitted to be served or consumed in the licensed area, polycarbonate glasses must be used at all times.
- 23. The use of the licensed area shall not commence before 08.00 hours and shall cease before 21.00 hours each day.