

DID YOU KNOW

that the Township of West Orange requires all “peddlers” to obtain a permit? The term “Peddler” shall include door-to-door sales, hawker, solicitor, canvasser, distributor and vendor. Any person traveling in the Township by any means from house to house or street to street, who, **without invitation**, visits, calls or applies at residential dwellings, whether at the doorway or from the street, with the intent or purpose of selling a product or service to earn income, make a profit, or both, as a commercial business, and whether or not such person is working for himself, herself, as an employee, or as an independent contractor working for someone else. (Ord. No. 2152-07 § 2)

Applications and information regarding Peddler’s permits can be obtained from the Township Clerk’s office. Once the requirements are met by the applicant, the township will issue a permit to be carried by the “peddler” while conducting business within the Township. No commercial peddling shall be done except between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and sunset on each weekday and on Saturdays between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Any canvassing or solicitation, including fundraising, conducted by any bona fide nonprofit, religious, charitable, civic, political, veteran or fraternal organization or association, service club, volunteer fire or first aid company is exempt from this Ordinance. However, the Township requests that the Township Clerk be advised as to when and where soliciting will take place in case any township residents call with a concern.

The Police department and the Clerk’s office work closely together to monitor the canvassing that takes place throughout the Township. If someone comes to your door and they do not have a permit issued by the Township, please call the Police dept. at 973-325-4100.

Do Not Solicit List-If you would like your address placed on the “Do Not Solicit List”, please contact the Clerk’s office via email at clerk@westorange.org or 973-325-4155.