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## Zoning Permit for Temporary Outdoor Seating

*Virginia Governor's Order 61 allows temporary outdoor seating with a Virginia Health Department (VDH) and Alcohol Beverage Control (AB) Authority Permit for the sale of alcohol. A VDH/ABC permit requires proof of County approval. This permit has been developed to expedite the County approval process at no cost to the business.*

- (1) The seating area must be 50% or less of the total approved occupancy for the existing use.
- (2) All requirements specified under EO 61 and EO 62 must be followed.
- (3) The outdoor seating area shall not be located within any travel lanes, fire lanes, accessible area, or access to and from the building.
- (4) The area, or areas, need not be covered under the licensee's lease or have permission from the owner and be within 100 feet of the establishment
- (5) A diagram of the outdoor seating arrangement must accompany this application.
- (6) Temporary outdoor areas shall be roped off and designated for the existing use.
- (7) All requirements outlined in the "ABC Response to Temporary Approval of Outside Dining Areas" must be followed.



**PROVIDE SKETCH OF OUTDOOR SEATING AREA**

**NOTICE**

Stafford County treats all applications and applicants equally. The County does not discriminate against religion, or on the basis of race, sex, age, national origin, or disability, in its planning, permitting, utilities, and land use processes.

Under the laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, no government may discriminate against any religion or on the basis of race, sex, age, national origin, or disability, in its planning, permitting, utilities, and land use processes.

Under the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act ("RLUIPA"), no government may apply its zoning or land use laws, or its policies and procedures in a manner that unjustifiably imposes a substantial burden on the religious exercise of a person, assembly, or institution.

RLUIPA also provides that no government may apply its zoning or land use laws in a manner that treats a religious assembly or institution on unequal terms with a non-religious institution or assembly.

Finally, RLUIPA provides that no government may impose or implement a land use regulation in a manner that discriminates against a religious assembly or institution.

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