

Tempe City Codes



DOWNTOWN SIDEWALK SITTING

Sec. 29-70. Prohibited conduct; exceptions.

(a) No person shall sit or lie down upon a public sidewalk or upon a blanket, chair, stool, or any other object not permanently affixed upon a public sidewalk or median in the downtown central commercial district during the hours between 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. on weekdays and between 7:00 a.m. and 2:30 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays and Sundays.

(b) The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not apply to any person:

- (1) Sitting or lying down on a public sidewalk due to a medical emergency;
 - (2) Who, as the result of a disability, utilizes a wheelchair, walker, or similar device to move about the public sidewalk;
 - (3) Operating or patronizing a commercial establishment conducted on the public sidewalks pursuant to a permit; or a person participating in or attending a parade, festival, performance, rally, demonstration, meeting or similar event conducted on the public sidewalk pursuant to a permit;
 - (4) Sitting on a chair or bench located on the public sidewalk which is supplied by a public agency or by the abutting private property owner; or
 - (5) Sitting on a public sidewalk within a bus zone while waiting for public or private transportation.
- (c) Nothing in the exceptions enumerated in subsection (b) shall be construed to permit any conduct which is otherwise prohibited by law.
- (d) No person shall be cited under this section unless the person engages in conduct prohibited by this section after having been notified by a law enforcement officer that the conduct violates this section.

(e) Nothing in this article shall be construed to criminalize homelessness, targeting the homeless community, or otherwise criminalizing an individual's status rather than conduct.

Sec. 29-71. Penalty.

- (a) A violation of § 29-70 shall be a civil offense punishable by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100).
- (b) A second and any subsequent violation of this article within twelve (12) months of a previous conviction or finding of responsibility for a violation of § 29-70 shall constitute a class 3 misdemeanor.

CITY PARK RULES AND HOURS OF OPERATION

Sec. 23-36. Hours of operation.

No person shall trespass upon or be upon the grounds, other than public sidewalks or streets located therein, of any city park, playground or golf course without the express written permission of the official designated by the community services director, between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., unless otherwise posted; provided, however, with respect to any city park, playground or golf course that is equipped with either general area or athletic lighting which is functioning, the closing time may be extended to 12:00 midnight.

Sec. 23-45. Spirituous liquor in parks prohibited.

(a) The possession or consumption of spirituous liquors in city parks is prohibited, except that malt beverages are allowed for personal consumption with a one day permit issued by the community services department, or by the designee of such department, pursuant to § 23-56 of this code. The prohibition of spirituous liquors in any city park shall be conspicuously posted near all entrances to the park.

ANIMALS

Sec. 6-30. Dogs at large; wearing license tags.

(c) If any dog is unrestrained on the public streets, public parks or public property, then such dog's owner or custodian is in violation of this chapter. Dogs will, however, be permitted to be unleashed within areas of public parks as may be designated "off-leash areas" by the community services director.

(d) Any person whose dog is at large is in violation of this chapter. A dog is not at large if:

- (1) Said dog is restrained by a leash, chain, rope, or cord of not more than six (6) feet in length and of sufficient strength to control the actions of said dog;
 - (2) Said dog is used for control of livestock or while being used or trained for hunting or being exhibited or trained at a kennel club event or while engaged in races approved by the state racing commission; or
 - (3) While the dog is actively engaged in dog obedience training, accompanied by and under the control of his owner or trainer, provided that the person training said dog has in his possession a dog leash of not more than six (6) feet in length and of sufficient strength to control said dog, and, further, that said dog is actually enrolled in or has graduated from a dog obedience training school.
- Any dog at large shall be apprehended and impounded by an enforcement agent.

24 HOUR HOTLINES

Community Information & Referral Services:

Community Bridges (Substance Abuse):

Tempe Police (Non-emergency):

Crisis Response Network:

2-1-1
(877) 931-9142
(480) 350-8311
(602) 222-9444 OR (800) 631-1314

SHOWERS (MONDAY AM AND FRIDAY AM ONLY)

Urban Outreach 215 E University Drive

EMERGENCY SHELTER

Central Arizona Shelter Services

230 South 12th Avenue, PHX AZ 85007

Tempe I-Help

Mesa I-Help / WOMEN ONLY 3:30 PM everyday 424 W Broadway Rd Mesa (Parz De

Cristo)

UMOM Family Shelter Phoenix

Crisis Nursery Children's Shelter 2334 East Polk St, Phoenix

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT ASSISTANCE (HOMELESS)

Turnbleweed Youth Center (ages 12-25)

3707 N. 7th Street, Suite 305, Phoenix

Safe Place (18 and under)

1. Go to any QuickTrip or any location with the Safe Place sign & ask for help.
2. Text your street address, city & state to 69866 for directions to the nearest Safe Place location.
3. Call 1-866-723-3703 or 602-841-5799 & someone will help you over the phone.

Arizona National Guard Family Assistance Center (602) 692-4419/(800) 233-7758

Resources and Referrals for Service Members and their families

Local Family Assistance Center (52st Army) 1335 North 52nd Street, Phoenix

CASE MANAGEMENT / RENT / UTILITY ASSISTANCE / FOOD BOXES

Tempe Community Action Agency (TCAA) 2150 E Orange St

Salvation Army 714 S Myrtle Ave

JOB ASSISTANCE

Maricopa Work Force Connections

Goodwill Career Center

CITY OF TEMPE HOMELESS SERVICES

Homeless Coordinator 3500 S Rural Rd, Tempe

H.O.P.E. Outreach Team

(480) 858-2360
(480) 350-5846

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AGGRESSIVE SOLICITATION

Sec. 24-116. Prohibited Acts

It shall be unlawful for any person to solicit any money or other thing of value, or to solicit the sale of goods or services:

- (1) In an aggressive manner in a public area;
- (2) Within fifteen (15) feet of any entrance or exit of any bank or within fifteen (15) feet of any automated teller machine; or
- (3) In any public transportation vehicle or from persons waiting within fifteen (15) feet of a sign designating a bus stop;
- (4) Within fifteen (15) feet of any Transit stop or Taxi stand;
- (5) Immediately adjacent to the entrance of a business in a manner interfering with ingress or egress;
- (6) From persons engaging in any financial transaction;
- (7) Within ten (10) feet from persons inside a business, including a patio area, without the authorization of the business owner; or
- (8) Under false or misleading representations.

ILLEGAL STREET VENDING

Sec. 24-19. Vending Prohibited

- a) It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in vending on any public sidewalk, right of way or city-owned property unless authorized pursuant to this article.
- b) It is not a defense to a violation of this section that the vending activity is offered on a donation basis, if there is credible evidence that the items offered for donation are subject to any minimum purchase price. Any person or persons guilty of violating any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and punishable as set forth in § 1-7 of this code.