

# Business Registration Ordinance

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*An ordinance to provide for the registration of new businesses within the township, to create a procedure for the registration process and to provide penalties for the violation thereof.*

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THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MADISON HEREBY ORDAINS:

## **Section 1. Title**

This ordinance shall be known and cited as the Charter Township of Madison Business Registration Ordinance.

## **Section 2. Definitions**

- a. "Business": Any trade, occupation, home occupation, profession, work, commerce or other activity owned or operated either for profit or not for profit by any person within the Township, excluding, however, political establishments.
- b. "Peddler": A peddler is any person, who travels by foot, motor vehicle or any other type of conveyance, from place to place, selling or offering for sale goods or services.
- c. "Person": Any individual, partnership, association, or corporation.
- d. "Solicitor": A solicitor is any person traveling either by foot, motor vehicle or any other type of conveyance, from place to place seeking to obtain orders for the purchase of goods or services for future delivery or performance.
- e. "Township": The Charter Township of Madison.
- f. "Travel from place to place": Travel from place to place means progressing from 1 street address to another street address and not returning within a 2-hour period to any such address to solicit or peddle.

## **Section 3. Purpose**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to assist the Township with information to:

- a. provide better police and fire protection, better efficiency and economy in furnishing public utility services and more comprehensive and informed planning and zoning for uses of land and structures;

- b. establish a registry of businesses operating within the Township for the general information of the public and for the promotion of the Township; and
- c. regulate the operation of peddlers and solicitors.

**Section 4. Registration Requirements**

- a. No person may commence a business without having first registered the business as provided in this ordinance.
- b. No solicitor or peddler as defined in this ordinance to engage in such business within the corporate limits of the Township without first registering with the Township as provided in this ordinance.

**Section 5. Procedure for Registering.**

- a. To register a new business with the Township, a person must submit a business registration application on a form provided by the Township Clerk or his designated representative. A person must also submit with this business registration application a zoning compliance permit as set forth in the Township Zoning Ordinance and a certificate of compliance issued by the Fire Chief of the Township or his designated representative.
- b. All solicitors and peddlers must submit a business registration application on a form provided by the Township Clerk or his designated representative.

**Section 6. Contents of Application.**

An application for a registration shall provide the following information:

- a. Name, age and physical description of applicant.
- b. The applicant's address.
- c. The name of the business which is being registered and for peddlers and solicitors the name of the business for whom peddler or solicitor is working.
- d. The address and telephone of the business.
- e. A brief description of the nature of the business and the goods to be sold.
- f. For peddlers and solicitors, the drivers license number including issuing state or social security number for each person that will be selling within the corporate limits of the Township.

Licenses may be issued for periods not to exceed 6 months, being either the period of May 1 through October 31 or the period of November 1 through April 30. An applicant may

submit an application for a license no sooner than 30 days in advance of the period during which a permit is desired.

### **Section 7. Penalties**

Any violation of this ordinance or any part thereof shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$100.00 plus cost and/or confinement in the County Jail for a term not to exceed ninety days. In addition, the Township specifically reserves the right to proceed in any court of competent jurisdiction for the purposes of obtaining an injunction, restraining order, or other appropriate remedy to compel compliance with this ordinance.

### **Section 8. Severability**

Should any portion of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional, illegal, or of no force and effect by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portions shall not be deemed to affect the validity of any other part or portion of this ordinance.

### **Section 9. Effective Date**

This ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its publication in the Adrian Daily Telegram.

**Charter Township of Madison  
Business Registration Application**

Business name:	_____		
Business telephone:	_____		
Business owner:	_____		
Emergency telephone:	_____		
Business address:	_____		
Nature of business:	_____		
Hours of operation:	_____		
Days open:	_____		
Number of employees:	Seasonal: _____	Year around: _____	
Duration of operation:	Seasonal: _____	Year around: _____	
Land owner of business location:	_____		
Land owner's address:	_____		
Status of business owner:	Tenant: _____	Land contract vendee: _____	
Zoning classification of property:	_____		
Size of lot:	_____		
Number of buildings:	_____		
Square footage of each building:	_____		
Square footage of off-street parking:	_____		
Fire protection apparatus, if any:	_____		
Police protection apparatus, if any:	_____		
Public utility servicing business:	_____		

I hereby submit this application for business registration and acknowledge that the above information is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Business Owner  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_