

## **Flower Mound, Frisco, and Highland Village Solicitor Ordinance Comparison**

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### **Flower Mound**

- Directed mainly towards the door-to-door solicitation by a person or business; defines home solicitation transaction.
- Exempts political, religious, or charitable organizations by definition from being regulated and requiring a permit.
- A permit is required of any person or business desiring to conduct door-to-door solicitation of business.
- Permitted solicitation times/days are defined, including times allowed for handbill distribution.
- Does not require permits for handbill distribution; exempts persons distributing handbills or circulars door-to-door from regulation unless they are also engaging in direct face-to-face solicitation of business activities.
- Prohibits all solicitation activities, including political, religious, or charitable organizations, and the distribution of handbills or circulars, from any public street, street right-of-way, or median.
- Outlines the protection of the consumer's rights to cancel any contract for goods or services that may be entered into with a business conducting door-to-door solicitation.
- Regulated by the police department
- \$50 master permit fee + \$10 for individuals working under the master permit.

### **Frisco**

- Regulates the distribution of handbills; includes definitions for commercial and non-profit handbills.
- Permit is required that does allow for distribution of commercial hand bills.
- Permit is not required for distribution of non-commercial hand bills.
- Regulated through the police department.
- Permit requires the information of the handbill distributor and the business for which it is advertising.
- Requirements for property owners desiring to prohibit solicitors/handbills are outlined; posting a weatherproof card with no solicitation language. Solicitors must abide by the posted no solicitation card.
- Permitted solicitation times are established.
- \$35 permit fee.

## **Highland Village**

- Solicitor's permit required.
- The ordinance does not address handbills as specifically and directly as the Frisco ordinance does, but lumps handbills by definition into "solicitation."
- Regulated through the police department.
- Permit requires the information of the person soliciting and the information of the company that he/she represents.
- Requirements for property owners desiring to prohibit solicitors/handbills are outlined; posting a weatherproof card with no solicitation language. Solicitors must abide by the posted no solicitation card.
- Permitted solicitation times are established.
- Exemptions to the requirements include non-profits, public utilities, others operating under a franchise agreement, commercial agents dealing with local businesses, and insurance salespersons and real estate agents.
- \$200 permit fee + \$50 for each additional person working under the same license.