



Spring Is In The Air

As the weather changes ushering in seasonal temperatures, many may want to sit outside restaurants and cafés throughout the day and into the evening. Zoning Administration is providing this information to help owners and user be familiar with the [guidelines for outdoor cafés](#).

- ✓ Outdoor cafés must be part of a lawful operating restaurant, café, or vendor with a valid license from the Commissioner of Revenue and a Certificate of Occupancy from the Zoning Office.
- ✓ Outdoor seating or cafés are seasonal permitted typically from April through November of each year, from Spring through Autumn and only during normal business operating hours. They cannot be enclosed and no parking is required.
- ✓ The Location and seating arrangements must be pre-approved as part of the Certificate of Occupancy application and should remain that way for the duration of the outdoor season.
- ✓ Umbrellas are allowed and may not have logo(s) or sign(s) without legislative approval.
- ✓ Portable signs are not permitted. These include A-frame signs, triangular or arrow signs, etc. Permits must be obtained for all permitted signs.
- ✓ Shielding of fenced area with banner or logos are not permitted. State and local permits and approval required for other services such as ABC, HEALTH, etc.

During the course of the season, a County staff may visit your business as part of our observation and verification process. Should you have any question or if you require additional information, please contact the Zoning Office on the number below.

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