



Neighborhood Services Department

CODE COMPLIANCE – Environmental Health Unit

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APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE

From the Texas Food Establishment Rules (TFER's) for allowance of Dogs in outdoor dining areas

NOTE:

This application must be filled out completely. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. Application for a variance does not guarantee that a variance will be granted. Variance approval is based upon compliance with State and local ordinances. VARIANCES ARE NON- TRANSFERABLE.

1. ESTABLISHMENT NAME: _____
2. ADDRESS: _____
3. PERMIT NUMBER: _____
4. OWNER NAME: _____
5. CONTACT NAME: _____
6. CONTACT PHONE #: _____ EMAIL: _____

I hereby certify that the above named food establishment will comply with the above conditions and standards and any other conditions and standards that may be established by the City of San Marcos for this variance.

I also understand that dogs are not allowed in the outdoor dining area or patio until this variance request is approved. If the variance request is approved and the permit holder/person-in-charge fails to comply with the standards and conditions established by the City of San Marcos, the City of San Marcos may revoke the variance.

I also understand that this variance is non-transferable and is valid only at the location and owner as identified herein.

Owner Name (print)

Owner Signature

Date

Minimum Submission Requirements *(no incomplete applications will be processed)*

1. Site plan of Food Establishment premises indicating the following:
 - i) Show separate entrance for dogs to and from patio area(s).
 - ii) Show placement of required signage locations.
 - iii) Show all self-closing doors that enter into the Food Establishment.
 - iv) The location of hand sanitizer and type.
2. Protocols/SOP's/Procedures for maintaining sanitary conditions of the following areas:
 - i) No food preparation in the outdoor area(s) are allowed.
 - ii) Cleaning procedures indicating the use of animal friendly chemicals.
 - iii) Outdoor area will be free from visible dog hair/dander.
 - iv) Dogs must remain on a leash while in control by owner.
 - v) The prevention of the animal(s) from sitting on tables, counters, chairs or any similar surface in which food products will be placed.
 - vi) The prevention of animal contact with all ware equipment such as dishes, utensils, linens, single services items and/or similar items.
 - vii) Request proof of vaccination records dog(s) owner.
 - viii) No feeding or watering directly to a dog while on the Food Establishment premises.
3. Documents required signature from:
 - i. Certified Food Manager (CFM) and Owner.
 - ii. Copy of training protocol for employees available upon request on site.