

**BOROUGH OF LITTLE FERRY
COUNTY OF BERGEN
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**Code of the Borough of Little Ferry
Chapter 4, Article I, Section 4-5: Solicitors and Canvassers**

APPLICATION FOR LICENSE — SOLICITORS AND CANVASSERS

Pursuant to Chapter 4, Article I, Section 4-5 of the Code of the Borough of Little Ferry, it shall be unlawful for any solicitor or canvasser, as defined in this section, to engage in such business within the Borough without first obtaining a license. (*§ 4-5.2*)

§ 4-5.1 – Definition: Solicitor/Canvasser

A "Solicitor," also known as a "Canvasser," means any person, whether a resident of the Borough or not, traveling by foot, vehicle, or any other means from place to place or house to house, taking or attempting to take orders for the sale of goods, wares, merchandise, or services to be delivered or performed in the future. This includes those carrying samples or collecting advance payments, and also applies to persons conducting polls, surveys, or distributing advertisements and handbills.

§ 4-5.5 – License Fee

The license fee shall be thirty dollars (\$30.00), payable to the Borough Clerk at the time of application.

§ 4-5.7 – Hours of Operation

Soliciting or canvassing may only occur between the hours of **9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.**
No activity is permitted on Sundays or holidays.

§ 4-5.8 – No-Knock Registry

Solicitors and canvassers are prohibited from engaging in any activity at addresses listed on the **Little Ferry No-Knock Registry**, which is maintained and distributed by the Borough Clerk's Office. Licensees must ensure they have the most current version of the registry prior to any activity. Violations may result in license revocation and penalties under Chapter 1, § 1-5.

Name, permanent address and phone number of applicant:

Temporary Resident (if any):

Height _____ Weight _____ Hair _____ Eyes _____ M/F _____ Birth Date _____

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Business References:

Name and Address of firm represented:

If vehicle is to be used, its description, including the license number:

Description of goods or services offered and the location where they are manufactured, produced, or stored:

Have you ever been convicted of a crime or violation of any municipal ordinance (other than traffic offenses)?

- ☐ No — I have not been convicted of any such offense.
☐ Yes — I have been convicted. If yes, provide details below:

Date and Place of Conviction: _____

Nature of Offense: _____

Penalty or Punishment Imposed: _____

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Notification of Changes

If, while the application is pending or during the term of any license granted thereunder, there is any change in fact, policy, or method that would alter the information provided in the application, the applicant shall notify the Borough Clerk in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of such change.

§ 4-6.4 – Investigation of Application

The investigation shall be limited to that which is sufficient for the Chief of Police or their designee to determine that the applicant or organization is bona fide. Upon making such a determination, the Chief of Police or designee shall notify the Borough Clerk.

§ 4-6.5 – Approval or Disapproval

If the application is approved, the Borough Clerk shall immediately notify the applicant and issue the permit. If the application is disapproved, written notification of the decision, stating the reasons for disapproval, shall be sent to the applicant without delay.

§ 4-6.6 – Appeal of Disapproval

If the application is disapproved, the applicant may appeal the decision to the Mayor and Borough Council by filing a written notice of appeal with the Borough Clerk within ten (10) days of receiving the notice of disapproval. The Council shall hold a hearing within ten (10) days thereafter, and its decision shall be final.

Applicant's Signature

Date: _____

POLICE APPROVAL _____ REJECTION _____

Chief of Police Signature

Date: _____

§ 4-5.3 – Exceptions

This section shall not apply to any person who has obtained a charitable solicitor's permit in accordance with Section 4-6, nor shall it apply to individuals engaged in religious proselytizing, anonymous political speech, or the distribution of literature or handbills on behalf of a candidate for public office.