



SOMERSET POLICE DEPARTMENT

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NO KNOCK REGISTRY

The Town of Somerset has implemented a “no knock” registry for our residents in Town who **DO NOT** wish to be solicited by for-profit door-to-door sales persons.

Prior to soliciting for door-to-door sales, you are required to visit the below website by typing the link into your internet browser or by scanning the QR code to access the registry of addresses who are opted-out. **YOU MUST CHECK THIS LIST DAILY FOR UPDATES**

<https://tinyurl.com/somersetnoknock>



Any violations (knocking at a registered address) will result in an immediate revocation of the soliciting permit.

It is recommended that you review and familiarize yourself with the Town of Somerset By-law Regulating For-Profit Door-to-Door Business and Solicitations which can be found on the Police Department website www.somersetpd.org under the "More" tab by clicking on Logs & Other Information.

If you have any questions regarding the registry, you may contact our department on the non-emergency business line (508) 679-2138.

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APPLICATION FOR LICENSE TO CONDUCT DOOR TO DOOR SALES

☐ NEW APPLICATION	☐ RENEWAL	If renewal application, date of expiration of previous permit
Applicant Name		Address, City, State
Date of Birth		Social Security Number
Place of Birth		Applicant Telephone
Company/Organization Name		Supervisor Name
Product/Service to be sold		Supervisor Telephone

If applicant will be operating a motor vehicle, please enter vehicle information below:

Make	Model	Year	Color	Registration Number	State

1. Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes [] No []

2. Are you a registered sex offender or have you been convicted of a sex offense? Yes [] No []

3. Have you been convicted of any of the following misdemeanors? Yes [] No []

assault and battery; breaking and entering; entering; or breaking; unlawful removal of a motor vehicle; defrauding an insurer; larceny; shoplifting uttering fraudulent checks; unlawful or fraudulent use of credit cards; unlawful taking of money or other goods;	stealing or poisoning a dog; buying, receiving or concealing stolen goods; making or publishing false statements; destruction or injury of a building; trespass on property; firearms or weapons violations; and, violations of the controlled substance laws
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4. Have you previously, for any reason, been denied a License to Conduct Door to Door Sales in Somerset or any other community? Yes [] No []

5. I consent to a criminal background investigation as a condition to being considered for a License to Conduct Door-To-Door Solicitation. Yes [] No []

A. The license will be valid for a period of sixty (60) days from the date of issuance. If the expiration date is a Saturday or Sunday, the expiration date will be the next calendar day that is not a holiday or weekend day. Licenses shall be void upon surrender or revocation, or upon the filing of a report of loss or theft of the license. Ten (\$10.00) dollars of the license fee will be returned to the licensee if the license is voluntarily returned to the Police Department within the sixty (60) day period.

B. Said license shall be affixed conspicuously upon the outer garment (on the upper torso between the chest and shoulders) of the licensee whenever he or she is engaged in door-to-door solicitation so that it may be viewed by all persons. Said license shall be displayed and provided to a police officer upon request or command.

C. Said license shall be the property of the Town of Somerset and shall be surrendered to the Chief of Police or officers of the Somerset Police Department upon demand. In addition to any penalties established in Section 6 of the By-Law governing door-to-door solicitation, the Chief of Police may suspend or revoke said license for any violation of the provisions of the By-law or any other applicable law, By-law, rule, or regulation, or if the Chief of Police determines that the licensee presents a danger to the health, safety or welfare of the community.

D. FEE: The fee for said license shall be seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars.

E. EXEMPTIONS: The provisions of the By-law shall not apply to any persons or entity that has been licensed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the same activities; nor shall it apply to any person who goes door-to-door to sell goods, wares, periodicals, merchandise or services on behalf of any group or organization duly established in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 180.

F. VIOLATIONS; ARREST; PENALTIES

1. Whoever fails to be licensed as required by the provisions of this bylaw, to conspicuously display the license affixed to the outer garment while engaged in door-to-door solicitation, or comply with any other provisions of this bylaw shall be considered in violation.

2. Any person or organization who shall violate any of the provisions of this By-law shall be subject to a fine of three hundred (\$300.00) dollars for each violation each day that a person solicits or canvasses without a license shall be deemed a separate violation and incur a fine of \$300.00. Violations of the No-Knock List found in Section 7 will also be subject to a fine of \$300.00 per violation.

3. Whoever violates the provisions of this bylaw may be arrested without a warrant by a police officer who shall bring the person so arrested before the court within twenty-four hours, Sundays and holidays excepted.

4. As an alternative to initiating criminal proceedings, a police officer may employ the provisions and procedures for non-criminal disposition of violations contained in Massachusetts General Law chapter 40, section 21D, and the Non-criminal Disposition By-law adopted at the December 16, 1991, Special Town Meeting, as amended. If such a disposition is employed, the penalty shall be three hundred (\$300.00) dollars per violation. Any person or organization who knowingly provided false information on the registration application shall have his, her or its registration revoked by the Chief of Police by written notice delivered to the holder of the registration in person, or sent to the holder by certified mail at the address set forth in the application. After three (3) documented violations of any provisions of this By-law, the Chief of Police may, at his/her discretion, revoke the registration.

Signed under the Pains and Penalties of Perjury

X

Date

Official Use Only

☐ APPROVED	Date of Expiration	☐ DENIED	Reason for Denial
Licensing Official or Designee			Date