

Preaching Christ Halifax

“Proclaiming the Gospel through biblical evangelism in Halifax”

HALIFAX WATERFRONT LAWS **Build Nova Scotia**

<https://buildns.ca/partner-with-us/busking/>

We strive to steward **our public spaces** in a way that is inclusive, welcoming, engaging and animated.

1. We do not run a managed busker program in our public spaces. There is no permit, permission or process to be there. We do however, have some very simple guidelines that do enforce and ask everyone to follow.

You do not need a permit to busk on the Halifax waterfront and there is no audition process.

2. No transactions, product, exchange of goods.
3. We may ask you to adjust your volume. Amplification is not permitted in residential areas. Please be respectful of nearby businesses and residents in terms of noise levels.
4. The waterfront is for family-friendly entertainment.
5. Please be respectful of pedestrian flow and safety by keeping corridors clear.
6. Certain areas may not be available for busking. At the discretion of Build Nova Scotia, you may be directed to another area.

Definitions for context:

Busking involves public performances for entertainment and potentially earning money, handing out pamphlets is about distributing printed materials to inform or persuade people, and proselytizing is the act of promoting and advocating for a particular belief or religious ideology with the aim of converting others.

We are handing out Pamphlets/distributing printed materials to inform people. No exchange of goods/services. No transactions involved.

CANADIAN LAW REGARDING DISCRIMINATION/HARASSMENT

Discrimination or harassment based on factors such as race, religion, or sexual orientation is prohibited by Canadian law.

Discrimination and harassment can take many forms, and it's important to be aware of them in the context of street evangelism activities. Here are some examples:

1. Racial Discrimination: Treating someone unfairly or differently because of their race or ethnicity. For example, a street evangelist might target people of a certain race for conversion while ignoring others.
2. Religious Discrimination: Treating someone unfairly or differently because of their religious beliefs. For example, a street evangelist might tell someone that their religion is wrong or inferior to Christianity.
3. Gender Discrimination: Treating someone unfairly or differently because of their gender. For example, a street evangelist might only approach men or women for conversion, or might make derogatory comments about a person's gender identity.

4. Disability Discrimination: Treating someone unfairly or differently because of a disability. For example, a street evangelist might ignore someone who is using a wheelchair or has a visible disability.
5. Age Discrimination: Treating someone unfairly or differently because of their age. For example, a street evangelist might only approach young people for conversion, or might make derogatory comments about an older person's age.
6. Harassment: Engaging in unwanted or unwelcome behavior that creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment. For example, a street evangelist might follow someone down the street, shout at them, or continue to approach them after they have declined to engage.

It is important for street evangelists to be aware of these forms of discrimination and harassment and to avoid engaging in any behavior that could be perceived as such. Respect for others and their beliefs is essential in any form of evangelism.