Permit & License Contacts

Please check with individual departments for specific permitting hours.

Animal Commission (AC)
344 Broadway, 1st Floor
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
George Fortunato
349-4925 Fax 349-4913 TTY 492-0235
http://www.cambridgema.gov/dep/animal.html

Arts Council (ArC)
344 Broadway, 2nd Floor
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Jane Beal
Elizabeth White
349-4381 or 4383 Fax 349-4275 TTY 492-0235
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~ArC/

City Clerk (CC)
City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue, 1st Floor
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Mary Beth Conger
349-4426 Fax 349-4269 TTY 492-4424
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~CivClk/

City Manager’s Office (CMO)
City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue, 1st Floor
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Lester Barber
Liza Paden
349-4600 Fax 349-4621 TTY 492-4621
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~CManger.cfm

Conservation Commission (CoCo)
344 Broadway, 4th Floor
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Jennifer Wright
349-4680 Fax 349-4669 TTY 492-4669
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~CCo/

Commission for Persons w/Disabilities (DC)
51 Inman Street, 2nd Floor
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Michael Muehe
349-4492 Fax 349-4766 TTY 492-0235
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~DHSP2/disabilities.cfm

Electrical Department (ED)
270 Fresh Pond Parkway
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Stephen Lesko&kas
349-4925 Fax 349-4913 TTY 492-0235
http://www.cambridgema.gov/dep/electrical.html

Fire Department Headquarters (FD)
491 Broadway
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Lieutenant Robert Paone
349-4968 Fax 349-4912 TTY 499-9924
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~FD/

Historical Commission (HC)
831 Mass Ave, 1st Floor
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Sarah Burke
Sal Emmerman
349-4683 Fax 349-3116 TTY 499-6112
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~History/

Inspectional Services Department (ISD)
831 Mass Ave, 1st Floor
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Department Clerk
349-6100 Fax 349-6132 TTY 499-6112
Department Clerk (General Information)
8:00am - 5:00pm - best time to contact
Inspectors (Specific Permit Information)
8:00am - 9:00am, 9:30am - 4:30pm - best time to contact
Robin Cassidy (Housing Complaints)
8:00am - 5:00pm - best time to contact
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~Inspect/

License Commission (LC)
831 Mass Ave, 1st Floor
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Ellen Watson
349-6140 Fax 349-6148 TTY 499-6112
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~License/

Police Department (PD)
Western Ave
Mon 8:30am - 5:00pm, Tues-Thurs 8:30am - 5:00pm
Fri 8:30am - 12:00 noon
Captain Richard Bougara
349-3214 Fax 349-3254 TTY 655-1462
http://www.cambridgema.gov/~PD/

Public Health - Cambridge Health Alliance (PH)
119 Windsor Street
Mon - Fri 8:30 am - 5:00 pm
Sam Lipson
665-3800 Fax 665-3888 TTY 665-1462
http://www.cambridgehealthalliance.org

Permits & Licenses

(XVII) Indicates the department which initiates a specific permitting process.

* Drop contracts for specific person to speak with or ask when inquiring.

- Alcohol License, Peddler/Vendor-One Day License (LC)
- Alcohol License, Package Store License (LC)
- Antique Store License (ISD)
- Asbestos Removal Removal License (ISD)
- Athletics Permit (RC)
- Auctioneer License (LC)
- Auction Sale, One-Day License (LC)
- Black Party (TPT)
- Building Licensing (ISD)
- Building Permit (ISD)
- Burial Permit (PH)
- Business Certificate (CC)

Cambridge/ Festival License (LC)
Certificate of Appropriateness, Non- applicability or Hardship (HC)
Certificate of Inspection (ISD)
Certificate of Deed (ISD)
Christmas Trees/Seasonal Decorations (CD & FD)
Commercial Parking Permit (TPT)
Common Victualer License (LC)
Construction Water Use (WD)
Cross Connection Device (WD)
Curb Cut (ISD)
Cutting, Burning or Welding Permit (FD)
Demolition Permit (ISD)
Development Consultation (ISD)
De.watering Permit (PW)
Disabled Parking Temporary Permit (DC)
Discharge Permit, Temporary (PW)
Disposal Permit (ISD)
Dog License (AC)
Dustmopps (TPT)
Entertainment License, Annual, One Day (LC)
Excavation Permit (PW)
Fire Alarm Connection Permit (ED)
Fire Protection Equipment (FD)
Fire Pump Test (WD)
Firearm Identification Card (PD)
Firearms, License to Carry (PD)
Flammable Liquids, Solids & Gas Permits (FD)
Food Handlers Permits, Annual & Temp (FD)
Fresh Pond Reservation Use (WD)
Fuel Storage Tank, Above & Underground (FD)
Funeral Director License (PH)
Garage & Gasoline License (LC)
Gas Permit (ISD)
Hackney License/ Medallion Owner (LC)
Hydrant Flow Test (WD)
Hydrant Rental (WD)
Inholders License (LC)
Jetney Permit (LC)
Laboratory Animal Permit (PH)
Letting of Motor Vehicle License (LC)
Liquid Propane Permit (FD)
Lively/Limousine License (LC)
Lodging House License (LC)
Manufacture frozen Desert and/or Ice Cream Mix (ISD)
Massage Therapy License (PH)
Milk License (ISD)
Moving Van Permit (TPT)

News Rack Compliance Certificate (PW)
Non-Commercial Parking Space Registration (TPT)
Oil Burning Equipment Permit (FD)
Open Air Parking License (LC)
Package Goods Store License (LC)
Palm Reader License (LC)
Parking & Public Areas Permit (PW)
Pawenbrokers License (LC)
Peddlers License Clearance (FD)
Pedder/Vendor License Annual & One Day (LC)
Plumbing Permit (ISD)
Pole & Conduit (LC)
Police Detail (PD)
Portable Space Heating Devices Permit, Temporary, (FD)
Raffle & Bazaar License (LC)
Recombinant DNA Users Permit (PH)
Resident Parking Permit (TPT)
Salamanders License (LC)
Second Hand Goods Store License (LC)
Sidewalk Obstruction Permit (PW)
Signs & Banners, Non-Projecting (CC)
Signs & Banners, Projecting (ISD)
Smoke Detector Compliance (FD)
Special Events (CMO)
Special Permit, Board of Zoning Appeals (ISD)
Special Permit, Planning Board (ED3)
Sprinkler Installation Permit (ISD)
Standpipes & Fire Protective Appliances Installation (ISD)
Store Opening Permit Holiday (FD)
Street Closing Permit (TPT)
Street Performers Permit (ArtC)
Sunday Work Permit (PD)
Swimming Pool Permit (ISD)
Tank Trucks Permit (FD)
Tar Kettle Permit (FD)
Tenant Permit (ISD)
Tobacco Sales Permit (ISD)
Tool Truck (TPT)
Torches & Heat Producing Devices Permit (FD)
Used Car Dealer Class I, II, III (LC)
Utility Permit (ED)
Waterworks Construction Permit (WD)
Wetlands Protection Act (CoCo)
Wiring Permit (ISD)
Zoning Variance (ISD)