

Chapter 9.38 Temporary Special Events

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9.38.010 Purpose

This Chapter provides development standards for temporary special events to ensure that basic health, safety, and community welfare standards are met, while approving suitable temporary special events with the minimum necessary conditions or limitations consistent with the temporary nature of the activity. A Temporary Special Event Permit allows short-term activities that might not meet the normal development or use standards of the applicable zoning district, but may be considered acceptable because of their temporary nature. These activities are regulated to avoid incompatibility between the proposed activity and surrounding areas.

9.38.020 Duration and Frequency

- A. Temporary special events shall be permitted with a Temporary Special Event permit as specified below which indicate each temporary special event permitted, the zones in which the use is allowed, the maximum number of days each use is allowed and the maximum number of occurrences in each calendar year:

**TABLE 3-24:
SPECIAL EVENTS**

Permitted Special Events (With a Special Event Permit)	Land Use District Permitted	Maximum Number of Days Per Events	Maximum Number of Events Per Calendar Year Per Location and/or Vendor
Church tent rival meetings	All Land Use Districts	10	3
Circus, carnival	All "C", "T", and Public/Quasi Public Land Use Districts, , all land use districts in Old Town Specific Plan Area	10	4

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Permitted Special Events (With a Special Event Permit)	Land Use District Permitted	Maximum Number of Days Per Events	Maximum Number of Events Per Calendar Year Per Location and/or Vendor
Fair, concerts, parades, exhibits, festivals, art shows, car shows, street fairs or similar events	All "C", "I", and Public/Quasi Public Land Use Districts, all land use districts in Old Town Specific Plan Area	10	10
Certified Farmers Markets	All "C", "I", and Public/Quasi Public Land Use Districts, all land use districts in Old Town Specific Plan Area	Two days per week	Permit is valid for one year
Seasonal Holiday Sales Facilities	Non-Residential Districts	See Subsection D	3

- B.** Where uncertainty exists regarding the interpretation of any provision of this Chapter or its application to specific special event which may not be listed, the Director shall determine the intent of the provision and or determine whether the proposed event is consistent with the provisions of this Chapter.
- C.** Multiple Temporary Special Events may be combined into a single permit, however Certified Farmers Markets shall comply with the California Code Of Regulations, section 1392 and obtain all required permits from the Town.
- D. Seasonal Holiday Sales Facilities.** Seasonal holiday sales activities (e.g., Christmas, Halloween, Thanksgiving, etc.) including temporary residence/security trailers, on nonresidential properties, for up to 45 days.
1. **Date of Opening.** A Christmas tree sales facility shall not be open for business during any calendar day before Thanksgiving. Other holiday sales facilities shall not be open more than 30 days before the holiday.
 2. **Additional Permits.** The applicant shall secure an electrical permit if the facility is to be energized and the proper permits from the Building Division for any temporary structure or shelter.
 3. **Fire Prevention.** Each Christmas tree/holiday sales facility shall comply with fire prevention standards as approved and enforced by the Fire Chief, including any burning or open fires or flocking or painting.
 4. **Maintenance.** Seasonal holiday sales facilities shall be kept clean and free of debris at all times during use of the property.
 5. **Merchandise.** A seasonal holiday sales facility shall not engage in the sale of any merchandise not directly associated with the holiday identified by the applicant as the basis for the seasonal holiday facility.

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6. Off-street Parking. The Director shall approve all public access.
 7. Removal of Facility. The seasonal holiday facility shall be removed within 14 days after Christmas or other holiday.

9.38.030 Permit Required

Except as otherwise provided by the Town of Yucca Valley or state law, no person or entity shall operate, maintain, conduct, advertise, or provide admission for any temporary special event within the Town of Yucca Valley without possessing an unexpired, unsuspended and unrevoked permit from the Planning Division for each such temporary special event.

To ensure cleanup and restoration of the site, an applicant may be required to post a deposit at the time the application is submitted. Upon the completion of the event and inspection of the site by the Town, the deposit may be returned to the applicant if the cleanup and restoration of the site has been determined by the Town to be sufficient.

9.38.040 Standards and Regulations

Change of Date. Upon the request of the applicant, the issuing authority shall have the power, upon a showing of good cause, to change the date for which the permit has been issued provided established limitations are complied with in respect to time and location.

9.38.050 Requests for Law Enforcement Services at Special Events

Any person or entity required to obtain a permit in accordance with the provisions of this chapter may request law enforcement services to preserve the peace at special events. Such application shall be made to the Sheriff's Department and shall be in writing, stating the name and address of the applicant, the place where the special event is to be held, the estimated number of persons to be present and the purpose of the special event. Upon receipt of said application, the Sheriff's Department shall determine whether law enforcement services are necessary to preserve the peace, and if the Sheriff's Department so determines, and if the services will not reduce the normal and regular on-going service that the Town would otherwise provide, the Sheriff's Department shall contract with the applicant to provide the services at an amount to include all costs to the Town of Yucca Valley.

9.38.060 Temporary Special Event Amendment

Refer to Article 5, Chapter 9.83 Permit Amendments.

9.38.070 Temporary Special Event Revocation

Refer to Article 5, Chapter 9.84 Permit Revocations.