



Memorandum

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To: All Primary and Support Permitting Agencies
From: Citywide Event Coordination and Management (CECM)
Date: 10/30/2025
RE: Permit Embargo for the 2025/2026 Holiday Season November 26th, 2025 – January 2nd, 2026

Due to the increased pedestrian and vehicular traffic during the holiday season, Citywide Event Coordination and Management (CECM) is requesting that no permits be issued for the locations below from Wednesday, November 26, 2025, to Friday, January 2, 2026 (except for annual events). Please note that the areas are all inclusive, including both sides of the street, avenue and/or sidewalk.

Times Square

- 41st Street to 47th Street between 6th Avenue and 8th Avenue
- The pedestrian plazas from 42nd Street to 47th Street

Rockefeller Center

- 48th Street to 51st Street between 5th Avenue and 6th Avenue

Herald Square Area

- 32nd Street to 36th Street between 5th Avenue and 7th Avenue
- Herald & Greeley Square Plazas East and West

5th Avenue

- Between 59th Street and 34th Street

Flatiron / Madison Square Park Area

- Broadway between 21st Street and 29th Street
- 23rd Street between 6th Avenue and Park Avenue South
- 5th Avenue between 21st Street and 29th Street
- Flatiron Plazas North and South
- Madison Avenue between 23rd Street and 27th Street
- 26th Street between Broadway and Park Avenue South

(Please note this does not apply to Madison Square Park but it is recommended that all events permitted at this location be limited in size and potential impact.)

Union Square Area

- Broadway between 17th Street and 19th Street
- Union Square Plaza
- Union Square West between 13th Street and 17th Street
- Union Square East between 13th Street and 17th Street
- 14th Street between 5th Avenue and 4th Avenue
- 17th Street between 5th Avenue and Park Avenue South

(Please note this does not apply to Union Square Park but it is recommended that all events permitted at this location be limited in size and potential impact.)

Columbus Circle Area

- Broadway between 58th and 61st Street
- Columbus Circle between Broadway and Central Park West
- Central Park West between 61st Street and Columbus Circle

Bryant Park Area

- 6th Avenue between 39th Street and 43rd Street
- 42nd Street between Broadway and 5th Avenue
- 40th Street between Broadway and 5th Avenue

(Please note this does not apply to Bryant Park but it is recommended that all events permitted at this location be limited in size and potential impact.)

Madison Square Garden Area

- 33rd Street Plaza
- 7th Avenue between 31st Street and 33rd Street
- 31st Street between 7th Avenue and 8th Avenue
- 8th Avenue between 31st Street and 33rd Street
- 33rd Street between 7th Avenue and 8th Avenue

Astor Place Area

- Astor Place Plazas North and South
- Cooper Square Plaza
- Lafayette Street between East 4th Street and Wanamaker Place
- Cooper Square between East 4th Street and Wanamaker Place
- East 8th Street between Broadway and 3rd Avenue
- 3rd Avenue between East 6th Street and East 9th Street
- East 4th Street between Lafayette and Cooper Square

(Please note this does not apply to Cooper Triangle Park but it is recommended that all events permitted at this location be limited in size and potential impact.)

SoHo Area

- Broadway between W Houston Street and Canal Street
- Prince Street between 6th Avenue and Crosby Street
- Spring Street between 6th Avenue and Crosby Street
- Broome Street between 6th Avenue and Crosby Street
- Grand Street between 6th Avenue and Crosby Street

Manhattan Brooklyn Bridge Area

- Brooklyn Bridge Arches Plaza
- Avenue of the Finest between Park Row and Rose Street
- Rose Street between Pearl Street and Avenue of the Finest
- Rose Street between Pearl Street and Frankfort Street

Please note that the embargo does not apply to demonstrations and protests, but NYPD is asked to take all legally appropriate measures to limit the impact of these events in the aforementioned areas during the holiday season. If you have any questions or existing conflicts, please contact our office immediately.

Thank you for your cooperation.