



Cheltenham Township

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www.cheltenhamtownship.org

(215) 887-1000

Special Event Application

Special Event: An event such as a block party (see separate block party form), parade, festival, race, carnival, exhibition or other public or private organized gathering of a short duration, lasting less than 3 days, which is proposed to take place on Cheltenham Township-owned property, parks, private property and/or the public right(s) of way.

The Township of Cheltenham's Special Event Application Policy is designed to ensure that reasonable preparations are made to ensure a safe, successful Special Event.

Submitting Your Application

1. Event applicants will be responsible to provide the application fee, site fee, security deposit, staff costs, and insurance indemnification required in advance to receive permission to hold an event.
2. All event applications must be submitted to the Cheltenham Township Manager's Office. **Applications must be submitted at least ninety (90) days prior to the event.** The application fee of \$50.00* (waived only for block parties) and all other required documentation must accompany the application. If the application is submitted less than 90 days before the event, the fee is \$75 and if submitted less than 30 days before the event, the fee is \$125, which must accompany the application. Only completed applications submitted to Cheltenham Township will be reviewed. Applications must be mailed or hand-delivered. **Faxed or emailed applications will NOT be accepted unless it is a block party application, which can be emailed to specialevents@cheltenham-township.org.**
3. **Submitting an application does not grant the applicant permission to hold the event.** Once a completed application and the \$50.00 fee are received, the Township will contact the applicant to acknowledge receipt of the application, request more information for an extended review, issue or deny the application.
4. Within 30 days of submitting the completed application and \$50.00 fee, the applicant should receive permission or a denial letter with the application returned.
5. Once the signed application and all required payments, certificate of insurance and additional documentation are received, the Township will execute and issue the approved application.
6. The only acceptable form of payment for all fees, deposits and costs is a cashier's check, money order (made payable to Cheltenham Township) or cash. **Credit card payments or personal checks will not be accepted.**
7. Special Events attended with larger attendance (over 500 people anticipated to be in attendance) may require additional planning time, so please submit the application with as much lead time as possible. Applications submitted less than 30 days in advance of such Special Event may be declined.
8. Arrangements for the Special Event should not be finalized until you have received permission. No Special Events shall take place without an authorized application.
9. The Township may require you to provide commercial liability insurance for the Special Event as determined by the Township Solicitor. The Insurance Certificate must be submitted in accordance with the enclosed Insurance Requirements section.
10. Adjoining property owners and neighbors must be notified at least 2 weeks in advance of the size and date(s) of your Special Event. Please copy the Township's Public Information Office with this communication at mdelsordo@cheltenham-township.org.
11. The assigned permit is good only for the date(s) of the Special Event plus any designated rain date(s).

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Rules and Regulations for a Special Event Application

1. All applications must be completed and submitted to the Township as specified in the **Submitting Your Application** section above.
2. A copy of the application must remain on site for review at all times.
3. Applications fees are non-transferable.
4. Parking or driving on grass, service roads or athletic fields is strictly prohibited. Applicants shall ensure that their guests, vendors, concessionaries and exhibitors shall not park or drive vehicles on grass, service roads, or athletic fields.
5. Fastening or attaching any rope, sign, banner, flyer or other object to any tree, shrub, or natural amenity in any Township park area is strictly prohibited.
6. No refunds will be granted for any cancelled Special Events 30 days prior to event date.
7. All cancellations must be made **in writing** and addressed to the Township. Cancellations made less than 30 days prior to the event date will forfeit any fees submitted.
8. The certificate of insurance for the Special Event must show evidence of general commercial liability coverage with a minimum \$1,000,000 per occurrence limit of liability, specifically naming Cheltenham Township as an additional insured. Cheltenham Township reserves the right to require higher limits and/or special insurance coverage if the Special Event so warrants.
9. Failure to obey the above rules and regulations will result in the forfeiture of all or part of the Special Event.

Amenities

1. Cheltenham Township does not provide amenities such as sound systems, tables, chairs or other support materials and services.
2. Cheltenham Township reserves the right to invoice for the abnormal consumption of excessive electricity during the Special Event.
3. Provisions for parking are not included in the issuance of any Special Event.
4. Township does not provide portable restrooms or disposable trash containers for Special Events. These amenities must be procured by the applicant.
5. Any tent or canopy measuring over 50 square feet requires permission from the Township.
6. The Township may request reimbursement for the provision of additional Emergency Services such as Police, Fire Department and EMS as necessitated (in the township's discretion) by the size and type of Special Event.

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1	Event Information
Title of Event:	
Start Date:	End Date:
Location and Street Address:	
Brief Description of Event:	
Daily Start Time and End Time of Event:	Rain Date(s) of Event:

2	Event Sponsor
Sponsor Name:	
Sponsor Address:	
Sponsor Phone Number:	Sponsor E-mail:

3	Applicant
Applicant Name:	Title (if applicable):
Applicant Address:	
Applicant Cell Phone Number:	Applicant E-mail:

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4	Property Owner (if not the Applicant)
Owner Name:	Title (if applicable):
Owner Address:	
Owner Cell Phone Number:	Owner E-mail:
Signature of Property Owner:	Date:

5	Person in Charge on Day of Event (must be on site)
Name:	Title (if applicable):
Cell Phone Number:	E-mail:

6	Indemnification Agreement (Liability Release)
<p>By signing and submitting this Special Event Application, the Sponsor intending to be legally bound agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Township of Cheltenham and its elected and appointed officials, agents, employees, and authorized volunteers from and against any and all losses, costs (including, but not limited to litigation and settlement costs and attorneys' fees), claims, suits, actions, damages, liability and expenses, arising out of or in any way connected to and occasioned wholly or in part by the Sponsor's act, omission, negligence, fault or the act, omission, negligence or fault of the Sponsor's agents, subcontractors, suppliers, employees or servants in connection with the Special Event, except for any claims, liability, demands, damages, suits or loss arising from the willful or grossly negligent acts of the Township of Cheltenham, its elected and appointed officials, agents, employees and authorized volunteers.</p>	
Signature of Responsible Party:	Date:
Title:	

7	Permit Conditions (Township Use Only)
List additional permit conditions here:	
Applicant Signature (Signature indicates agreement with permit conditions)	Date:

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8	Additional Information
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1. What is the estimated daily attendance at this event? _____ Persons
2. Will you require road closures? Yes No
3. Do you anticipate traffic interruptions? Yes No
4. POLICE: Will you require Police assistance? (additional fees may apply) Yes No
5. AMPLIFIED SOUND: Will you be using amplified sound? Yes No
6. If so, what times will the amplified sound occur? _____ to _____
7. STAGING: Will staging be used? Yes No
8. Will the staging be prefabricated or built on site? A building permit may be required. Prefabricated Built on Site
9. TENTS: Will tents or canopies be erected? Yes No

How many? _____ How large? _____ sq. ft.

If tents are over 50 square feet, they will require inspection by Building and Zoning and the Fire Department.

Building and Zoning: (215) 887-1000 ext. 217
 Fire Marshal's Office: (215) 887-1000 ext. 235

10. FOOD: Will you require a license to vend food, merchandise or product samples? Yes No
11. ALCOHOL: Do you intend to sell alcoholic beverages? Yes No

If yes, please contact the Montgomery County Health Department at (610) 278-3000.

(NOTE: Alcohol is not permitted in Township Park facilities)

LCB Special occasion permit applications are available by calling the Board's Licensing Information Center at (717) 783-8250 or by logging onto www.lcb.state.pa.us, clicking on "Licensing", then "Special Permits" and then choosing the special occasion permit packet. The application must be made thirty (30) days prior to the event and the Police Department must be notified of the times and place where alcohol is to be served.

No alcohol is permitted without the prior written approval of the Liquor Control Board.

12. SECURITY: Will private security be used at this event? Yes No
 If security is armed, the Police Department must be advised.
13. EVENT ROUTE: Will the event be mobile, such as a parade? Yes No
 If so, submit a map of the proposed route with this application.
 (special insurance coverage maybe required)
14. EVENT PLAN: Larger events will require a diagram depicting temporary structures, First Aid stations, sanitary facilities, entry control (if applicable), food and beverage areas and parking arrangements.

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15. PERMITS/LICENSES: Copies of all permits/licenses must be posted and available for inspection at all times.
16. SANITATION and SAFETY: The applicant is required to secure port-a-johns/portable washrooms, chairs, trash boxes and appropriate medical First Aid stations for the event at the Sponsor's expense. Failure to provide such amenities could result in future Special Event applications being declined by the Township.
17. EVENT CANCELLATIONS: Event cancellations or cancellation of requested services must be made in writing **no less than 24 hours** prior to the Special Event. Failure to provide written notice may result in the Sponsor being required to reimburse the Township for the agreed upon services.

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Insurance Requirements

INDEMNIFICATION

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Sponsor agrees to defend, indemnify, pay on behalf of, and save harmless the Township of Cheltenham, its elected and appointed officials, agents, employees, and authorized volunteers against any and all claims, liability, demands, damages, suits or loss, including attorneys' fees and all other related costs, arising out of or in anyway connected to the Sponsor's proposed use or occupancy of the premises and/or right away of the Township of Cheltenham except for any claims, liability, demands, damages, suits or loss arising from the willful or grossly negligent acts of the Township of Cheltenham, its elected or appointed officials, agencies, employees and authorized volunteers.

INSURANCE

Most large events will require an additional Insurance Rider provided by the Sponsor. Please check with the Township to see if additional insurance is required for your Special Event. Depending on the type of event, special insurance may be required by the Township.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THIS SECTION IS:

REQUIRED SUGGESTED WAIVED

1. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: The Sponsor shall purchase and maintain through the term of this agreement or its use or occupancy of Township of Cheltenham premises commercial general liability insurance or its equivalent with a minimum of:

- \$1,000,000 for each occurrence;
- \$1,000,000 personal and advertising injury;
- \$2,000,000 general aggregate; and
- \$1,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

2. SPECIFIC COVERAGE TYPES: This commercial general liability insurance or its equivalent shall include coverage for all of the following:

- a. Liability arising from premises and operations;
- b. Liability arising from products and completed operations;
- c. Contractual liability including protection for the Sponsor from bodily injury and property damage claims arising out of liability assumed under this agreement;
- d. Liability arising from explosion, collapse, or underground hazards;
- e. Liability arising from athletic sports or sports participation; and
- f. Liability arising from bodily injury to spectators.

3. ADDITIONAL INSURED PARTY: Cheltenham Township and its elected and appointed officials, officers, agents, employees, and authorized volunteers shall be named as additional insured on the commercial general liability insurance policy as respects to Sponsor's use or occupancy of the premises of Cheltenham Township. The following manuscript wording must be utilized on the additional insured endorsement issued by the general liability insurer and shown on the insurance certificate submitted by the Sponsor to evidence its purchase of commercial general liability insurance:

"The policy is amended to include as additional insured the Township of Cheltenham and it's elected and appointed officials, officers, agents, employees, and authorized volunteers, but only for liability arising out of your operations on, at or adjacent to the premises of Cheltenham Township, [Sponsor's Special Event] or [Sponsor's merchandise or work product] "

4. VEHICLES: If the Sponsor has any owned autos, the Sponsor shall purchase and maintain through the term of this agreement or its use or occupancy of the premises of Cheltenham Township Business Auto Liability Insurance, or its equivalent, with a minimum limit of \$1,000,000 per accident and including coverage for liability arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of any auto and for automobile contractual liability.

5. WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE: If the Sponsor has any employees, the Sponsor shall purchase and maintain throughout the term of this agreement or its use or occupancy of Cheltenham Township premises Worker's Compensation Insurance or its equivalent with statutory benefits as required by any Pennsylvania or Federal Law, including standard "other states" coverage, and Employers' Excess Liability Insurance, or its equivalent, with minimum amounts of:

- \$100,000 each accident for bodily injury or accident;
- \$100,000 each employee for bodily injury by disease;
- \$500,000 policy limit for bodily injury by disease

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6. **UMBRELLA EXCESS LIABILITY INSURANCE:** The Sponsor shall purchase and maintain throughout the term of this agreement or its use or occupancy of Cheltenham Township premises Umbrella Excess Liability Insurance, or its equivalent, with minimums of:

- \$5,000,000 per occurrence;
- \$5,000,000 aggregate for other than products/completed operations and auto liability; and
- \$5,000,000 products/completed operations aggregate

and including all of the following coverages on the applicable schedule of underlying insurance:

- a. Commercial General Liability;
 - b. Business Auto Liability; and
 - c. Employers' Liability.
 - d. The Township shall be listed as an additional insured.
7. **ALCOHOL:** If the sponsor has a license or receives a permit from the LCB to serve alcohol, then the sponsor shall obtain all special insurance coverage's to insure for risks associated with the scale and/or distribution of alcohol and the township shall be listed as the additional insured.
8. **WAIVER OF SUBROGATION:** To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Sponsor and its employees, officials, volunteers, agents and representatives waive any right of recovery against the Township of Cheltenham and its elected and appointed officials, officers, volunteers, consultants, agents and employees for any and all claims, liability, loss, damages, costs or expense (including attorneys' fees) arising out of the Sponsor's proposed use or occupancy of the premises of Cheltenham Township or arising out of the Sponsor's operations on, at or adjacent to any premises of Cheltenham Township. The Sponsor shall advise its insurers of the foregoing and such waiver shall be provided under the Sponsor's Commercial Property and Liability insurance policies and the Sponsor's Worker's Compensation Insurance Policy, if any.
9. **DAMAGE TO THE PROPERTY OF THE SPONSOR AND ITS INVITEES:** The Sponsor and its employees, officials, volunteers, and agents shall be solely responsible for any loss or damage to property of the Sponsor or its invitees, employees, officials, volunteers, agents and representatives while such property is on, at or adjacent to the premises of Cheltenham Township.

10	Additional Documentation Check Sheet
Applicant: Ensure the below documentation is enclosed (if applicable):	
Enclosed	Verified
<input type="checkbox"/> 1. PA Liquor Control Board permit (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Insurance certificate (original)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. Application fee (waived for block parties only)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 4. Municipal Services fee (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 5. Event Site Plan enclosed with the following:	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 6. Designated parking areas	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 7. Security/monitor locations	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 8. Food/beverage/alcohol serving areas	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 9. Water and First Aid stations	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 10. Sanitary facilities, rest rooms and portable toilets	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 11. Event route map (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/>

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11	Parks and Recreation Department Approval (P&R use only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved: The above application was reviewed and approved with the following modifications:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Denied: The above application was reviewed and denied for the following reason(s):	
<input type="checkbox"/> No modifications	
Brian Hinson, Director P&R	Date:

12	Police Department Approval (PD use only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved: The above application was reviewed and approved with the following modifications:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Denied: The above application was reviewed and denied for the following reason(s):	
<input type="checkbox"/> No modifications	
John Frye, Chief of Police	Date:

13	Fire Marshal Department Approval (FD use only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved: The above application was reviewed and approved with the following modifications:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Denied: The above application was reviewed and denied for the following reason(s):	
<input type="checkbox"/> No modifications	
Scott Lynch, Fire Marshal	Date:

14	EMS Department Approval (EMS use only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved: The above application was reviewed and approved with the following modifications:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Denied: The above application was reviewed and denied for the following reason(s):	
<input type="checkbox"/> No modifications	
Kenneth Hellendall, EMS Director	Date:

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15	Public Works Department Approval (PW use only)
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved: The above application was reviewed and approved with the following modifications:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Denied: The above application was reviewed and denied for the following reason(s):	
<input type="checkbox"/> No modifications	
Approved by:	Date:
Christopher Clewell, PW Superintendent	

16	Township Manager's Office Approval
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved: The above application was reviewed and approved with the following modifications:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Denied: The above application was reviewed and denied for the following reason(s):	
<input type="checkbox"/> No modifications	
Approved by:	Date:
Bryan T. Havir, Township Manager	

DISCLAIMER

By completing and submitting this Application, the Applicant agrees and acknowledges that Cheltenham Township disclaims all liability for injuries and damage to property, during the event which is the subject of this Application, which occurs on, over or in, or involves, private property.

Copy to:

- Township Manager's Office
- Fire Marshal's Office
- EMS Director
- Public Works Department
- Chief of Police
- Parks and Recreation Department
- Public Information Office