

Certificate of Zoning Compliance Application



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Thank you for applying for a Certificate of Zoning Compliance. All information needed to complete the application is contained in this packet.

## What is a Certificate of Zoning Compliance?

A Certificate of Zoning Compliance certifies that a building or structure, or the use of a building or structure, complies with the City's zoning code. Refer to Ordinance 1131.03 for further details.

## Who needs to apply for a Certificate of Zoning Compliance?

Any new business moving into New Philadelphia will need to apply for a Certificate of Zoning Compliance, whether the business is moving into an existing structure or is new construction.

# How long will it take for my permit to be approved?

Usually, it takes 5 to 7 business days for the certificate to be approved but it could take longer depending on the availability of the Service Director or Code Administrator.

#### How much does it cost?

The fee for a Certificate of Zoning Compliance is \$30. All fees are nonrefundable.

# Does my certificate expire?

The certificate of zoning compliance will expire when the business moves out of the current property to another location.

### What if my certificate application is denied?

If your certificate application has been denied, you have the right to appear before the Board of Zoning Appeals to request a variance for a \$35.00 fee; however, you must prove a hardship to the Board as to why you need the variance request.

### What do I do after my certificate has been approved?

After your certificate has been approved by the Service Director or Code Administrator, you will receive a call from this office letting you know you can pick up a copy for your records.

#### **Additional Information**

The codified ordinances for New Philadelphia can be found on our website at the following link: <a href="https://www.newphilaoh.com/downloads/Complete-Codified-Ordinance.pdf">https://www.newphilaoh.com/downloads/Complete-Codified-Ordinance.pdf</a>. You may use the Bookmarks tab on the right side of the screen (second icon down and looks like a little ribbon icon) to make navigation easier.

If you have any additional questions that have not been addressed by the information provided, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Service Director's Office at 330-364-4491 ext. 1275. We are open Monday through Friday from 8am until 4:30pm except for major holidays.



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#### **Applicant Certification Statement**

I hereby declare, under the penalties provided by the zoning ordinance for violations thereof, that the statements made relative to the business described in this application for a Certificate of Zoning Compliance are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct. I acknowledge that, per Ordinance 1141.02(a), "It shall be unlawful to use or permit the use or occupancy of any building or premises, or both, or part thereof hereafter created, erected, changed, converted, or wholly or partly altered or enlarged in its use until a Certificate of Zoning Compliance shall have been issue therefore by the Director of Public Service stating that the proposed use of the building or land conforms to the requirements of this Zoning Code;" and Ordinance 1141.02(b), "No nonconforming structure or use shall be renewed, changed or extended until a Certificate of Zoning Compliance shall have been issued by the Director of Public Service. The Certificate of Zoning Compliance shall state specifically wherein the nonconforming use differs from the provisions of this Zoning Code." I also understand that if my permit application is rejected by the Service Director or Code Administrator, I have the right to appear before the Board of Zoning Appeals for a \$35.00 fee but must prove a hardship as to why I am asking the Board for a zoning variance request.

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Print Name	_
Applicant's Signature	Date
Review by Service Director or Code Administrator	
Approved	Rejected
Your Certificate of Zoning Compliance permit has been approved. You may operate your business according to the information provided herein.	Your Certificate of Zoning Compliance has been rejected due to the property not being a permitted use within the specific zoning district per the following ordinance:
	Ordinance:
Signature of Service Director or Code Administrator	Signature of Service Director or Code Administrator
Date	Date
Board of Zoning Appeals - \$35.00 fee per Ordinance 130	9.01(a)
Please state the reason you are requesting a variance:	
Signature of Applicant	Date
□ \$35.00 Fee Paid □ Hardship Proven □ Variance Granted	
☐ Variance Denied Signature of BoA Chairman/Acting Chairman	Date