

# CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY General Information

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## WHEN IS A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY (C of O) REQUIRED?

If you are a new tenant/owner of an existing business, changing the name of your business or changing the use of your building, records must be updated with the city to provide the best service to you in the future. In addition, this is the appropriate time for city inspectors to provide you with a general life safety inspection of your occupancy to ensure you have the minimum provision for light, heat, ventilation, sanitation, and egress of your business. If you are making changes to building elements (example: wall construction, equipment installation), a Certificate of Occupancy Application does not apply to your project. You must submit a 'Commercial Building Permit Application' and that permit will conclude with a Certificate of Occupancy.

## HOW DO I GET A "C of O"?

A building review to determine the "Occupancy Use" and to verify if any of the following are needed such as but not limited to: an accessibility route, parking spaces, ADA parking, fire alarm system, fire alarm sprinklers, fire detection system, backflow devices, portable fire extinguishers, 911 address, emergency lighting, means of egress, exit lights, and to verify there are no life safety hazards such as but not limited to: exposed electrical wires, cross connection, compromised structure, adequate sewer and potable water.

If required, submit a Food Establishment Application and all required documents for health such as but not limited to Food Manager Certificate, Food Handler Certificate/s, Pest Control Contract,

An application shall be submitted with permit fees.

The city needs to know if you have the right to occupy the building. This can be completed by providing a signed lease agreement or a recorded deed if you have purchased the property.

If your power/gas is not turned on then you will be required to get an Electrical Release and/or Gas Release inspection by Building Inspections and service turned on before you can request any additional inspections. A Health Final inspection is required and must be completed as well.

#### IS AN INSPECTION REQUIRED BEFORE I CAN OPEN MY BUSINESS?

Yes. You must obtain an inspection by the Building Inspector and Fire Marshal, as well as the Health Inspector (if the business is a food establishment.) Your request for an inspection can be scheduled within one to two business days provided your application has been submitted and applicable fees are paid.

#### **HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO GET A "C of O"?**

This depends on the results of the inspection and whether there are any code violations or life safety issues that need correcting prior to occupancy. It also depends on the extent of any repairs or remodeling of the building if applicable.

#### WHAT IS THE COST OF A "C of O"?

Please refer to the current Certificate of Occupancy application. If additional permits are needed for work, other fees may apply.

# IS A "C of O" REQUIRED IF THE NAME OR OWNERSHIP OF A BUSINESS IS CHANGED?

Yes. A change in tenant, or the name/ownership of the business requires a new "C of O" application.

#### CAN I OCCUPY THE BUSINESS BEFORE I OBTAIN THE "C of O"?

No. An approved "C of O" is required prior to any occupancy or use of the building location. It may be possible for inspectors to authorize a temporary "C of O" at their discretion and on a case-by-case basis following the inspection process. Consideration must be given to life, health, and safety as well as compliance with application and requirements.



# **CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY**

# **APPLICATION**

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION)

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permits@pleasantontx.gov

This application is to allow occupancy to a specified space to conduct business. Any alterations will require a separate permit to be submitted in conjunction with this application. Your Tax ID# is the responsibility of the business owner. Contact the State Comptroller's Office at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/">http://www.window.state.tx.us/</a>. For Certificate of Occupancy Inspection (830) 569-3867 or email us at <a href="mailto:permits@pleasantontx.gov">permits@pleasantontx.gov</a>

CERTIFICATE OF OCCU	UPANCY LOCATION:		
Address:	Su	ite: Busines	s Phone #:
C of O Fee: \$100 Temporary C of O Fee (up to 5000sq ft.): \$125			
+ Admin Fee	Temporary C of O Fee (over 5001sq ft.): \$250		Square Footage:
+ Tech Fee	+ Admin Fee + Tech Fee		·
APPLICANT INFO:		PROPERTY OWNER / MGMT INFO:	
Business Name:		Property Owner/ Mgr. Name:	
Bus. Owner:		_ Contact:	
Mgr./Agent:			
Mail Address:			
City, State, Zip:			
Phone #: Cell #:			
Email Address:		_	
CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: □ New Building □ Addition □ Change Name of B			ddition □ Change Name of Business
☐ Change of Tenant ☐ New Tenant Finish Out (TFO) ☐ Change Owner of Business ☐ Change of Use			
Does your business have: (Check all that apply)			
☐ Alcoholic Beverages	☐ Explosives or Ammunition	☐ CBD Sales or Storage	☐ Hazardous Chemicals
☐ Flammable or Combusti		☐ Food Products	☐ Dust Producing Process
Material/Solvent ☐ Fire Sprinkler System	☐ Food and/or Beverage Processing (storage or sales)	<ul><li>☐ Welding and/or Cutting</li><li>☐ Liquid Propane Gas</li></ul>	☐ Fireworks
☐ Fire Alarm System	□ RV Park	☐ Storage over 12' high	<ul><li>☐ Recycling Waste</li><li>☐ Septic</li></ul>
☐ Ansel System	☐ Manufacturer Home Park	☐ Outside Storage	☐ Other
**Provide Chemica	I Data Sheets to the Building Inspection Depa	rtment listing the maximum qu	
NOTICE: I hereby certify that I have read and examined this application and know the same to be true and correct. All provisions of laws and ordinances governing the use of this property will be complied with whether specified herein or not. The granting of a Certificate of Occupancy does not presume to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of any other State or local law regulating the use of this property.			
Signature of Applicant	Print	Name	Date
***OFFICE USE ONLY***			
Application #	Total Square Footage:		☐ Floor Plan Attached
On-Site Sign:   YES   NO  Health Inspection Required:  YES  NO  IBC Group:			
Approved:   YES   NO Reviewed by: Date: Date:			