



BLOCK PARTY RULES & REGULATIONS

The following rules and regulations shall apply for all block parties in Lower Makefield Township. A block party is a party for which the street and sidewalks may be blocked. No State Road, arterial or collector street may be used for a block party. Only local (development) residential streets may have block parties.

Block party permits will only be issued to a resident or residents of the street on which the party will take place. The block party must be open to all residents of the street and must be held primarily for the residents of the street. Before holding a block party, a permit must first be obtained from the Department of Public Works. The Lower Makefield Township Public Works Administrator, or their designee, must sign the permit before the party can be held. The permit is subject to the following rules:

1. **Alcoholic beverages** may only be consumed on private property. Alcoholic beverages **are not** permitted on the street or sidewalk. Underage drinking is strictly prohibited by law.
2. **If a resident of the street wants to leave or return home, they must not be hindered.** It will be the permit holder's responsibility for the safety of the attendees and the safe passage of residents.
3. Access must be provided for fire apparatus and/or other emergency vehicles in case they are needed. **In no event shall picnic tables, grills, sound equipment or other large objects be placed in the street.**
4. Music or public address systems must be kept at tolerable levels.
5. Immediately after the party is over, the permit holder(s) must ensure that the entire area in which the party was held is free of litter, garbage and other party items. The area must be returned to its original state.
6. Fire hydrants must not be blocked.
7. Only one permit will be issued per year.
8. **The block party must end by 11:00 p.m.**
9. It is understood that the permit holder(s) will erect Township issued barricades to block the street and will remove them at the conclusion of the event. Barricades can be picked up at the Lower Makefield Township Department of Public Works building at 1100 Edgewood Rd., Friday's between 10 am and 3 pm (The day before the block party, the applicant should verify that the barricades are still available. Due to unforeseen events, the Township may not be able to provide the requested number of barricades) They must be returned no later than 48 hours after the event. There will be no charge unless the barricades are damaged, lost or stolen. In this event, the permit holder(s) must pay for replacement or repair.
10. **Lower Makefield Township will not be held liable for any claim of damage which may arise by reason of the issuance of this Permit.**

Any violation of these rules will result in prosecution if local or state laws cover the violation. These and all other violations will result in no further permits being issued to the permit holder(s). The police and/or fire departments have the right to shut down all parties for reasons of public safety, disturbance of the peace or violation of laws. Under no circumstances does the Township assume any liability whatsoever for a violation of these rules and regulations or of law.