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Event Permit FAQ

Event Permit Frequently Asked Questions Questions and Answers About Holding an Event in Marion County

Q: Why does Marion County require permits for Events in the right-of-way?

A: Marion County, as the road authority, can impose restrictions on its own roadways if determined necessary, to protect any roadway section from being unduly damaged and to protect the interest and safety of the travelling public.

Q: When do I need to submit an application for an Event Permit?

A: Applications for Event Permits must be submitted minimum 60 days in advance of the proposed event start date.

Q: What is a Request for Comments with Event Permits?

A: Marion County provides notification to all agencies providing emergency services and others in area affected by the closure provide them with relevant information regarding the event.

Q: What is a Pre-Event Meeting?

A: A Pre-Event Meeting is held between applicant and Marion County to provide open communication about your event and an Event Permit, as well as to discuss safety during your event. Applicants are encouraged to schedule a Pre-Event Meeting with Marion County upon submittal of an Event Permit application especially if their event has not been held in previous years.

Q: What is a Combination Event?

A: A Combination Event is any combination of activities in the right-of-way. For example if you have a bicycle and pedestrian activity in the right-of-way you can submit one application for both activities (events).

Q: Can I hold a bicycle race on a Marion County road?

A: Yes, however conditions may restrict times and roadways allowed to be used for a bicycle race.

Q: I want to host a block party, what do I need to do?

A: You will need to apply for an Event Permit as well as obtain proof of notification in the form of signatures all the affected neighbors. The signature form must be submitted at the time of submitting an event permit application. For rental properties, if you cannot obtain signatures from the individual units, you need to obtain a signature from the property Management Company or landlord.