



# City of Spokane **Café Table Pilot Guidelines**



# Café Table Considerations

## Table Groups

Property owners and businesses located on the same side of the street and on the same block may group tables.

Café tables accommodate people for short periods, generally two hours or less. Table sets will be placed in the public right-of-way, on sidewalks or public plazas near entrances to buildings they serve.

## Placing a Café Table Set

- ◆ Table sets should be visible to people occupying the building and general passersby to increase comfort and security for people using the tables.
- ◆ Ideally, tables will be placed within 50 feet of the main entrance to the building to increase security and convenience.
- ◆ Table sets must be placed outside the building.
- ◆ Tables should fit entirely within the sidewalk's pedestrian buffer strip or immediately adjacent to building faces without obstructing the mandatory 6-foot pedestrian right-of-way.
- ◆ Tables should be placed between parking stalls to avoid conflicts with opening car doors.
- ◆ Tables should be placed on paved surfaces or other surfaces that are stable, firm and slip-resistant consistent with ADA requirements.

## Avoid

- ◆ Tables should not be directly placed in front of windows and doors that would act as a fire escape.

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## Required Spacing

### On sidewalk, adjacent to the building

- ◆ Must have a minimum sidewalk width of 12 feet.
- ◆ Must have a minimum distance of 6 feet between the table and the parking strip or street furnishings adjacent to the curb.
- ◆ Must be at least 6 feet from any fire hydrant.
- ◆ Must be located at a minimum of 6 feet from obstructions such as street trees, utilities, and street furniture.
- ◆ Must be at least 6 feet from any bus loading/unloading area.
- ◆ Recommended distance between multiple tables is 6 feet.

### On sidewalk, adjacent to the curb

- ◆ Must have a minimum sidewalk width of 9 feet.
- ◆ Must have a distance of at least 2 feet from the curb to prevent impacts from car door opening, 3 feet is recommended.
- ◆ Must have a minimum distance of 6 feet between the table and the property line/building.
- ◆ Must be at least 15 feet from any fire hydrant.
- ◆ Must be located at a minimum of 5 feet from obstructions such as street trees, utilities, and street furniture.
- ◆ Must be at least 5 feet from loading/unloading zone at a bus stop.
- ◆ Recommended distance between multiple tables is 6 feet.