

## CITY OF MARINA – BUSINESS LICENSE Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need a business license?

All persons or companies conducting business within the city limits are required to obtain City of Marina Business License.

See City Ord. Ch. 5.04 <a href="http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Marina/">http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Marina/</a>

Are any businesses exempt?

Businesses exempt from license fees include: charitable and nonprofit organizations, disabled veterans, minors (under sixteen years of age; see code), and artists and art exhibits (less than \$1,000 per year). For proof of qualification, see City Ord. Ch. 5.12 <a href="http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Marina/">http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Marina/</a>

\*Businesses exempt from fees must still obtain a City of Marina Business License

- How do I apply or renew for a business license?
  - o Online at <u>www.marina.hdlgov.com</u>
  - o Telephone at (831)233-6558
- Will you honor my Monterey County business license or one from another city?

No, a City of Marina business license is required.

How much does my business license cost?

Effective July 1, 2017, the business license tax rate is 0.2% of gross receipts.

- o New Business:
  - \$110.00 for a business with an address within City limits
  - \$55.00 for a business with an address **outside** City limits
- Existing Business:
  - \$40.00 renewal fee
- Do I need a business license for residential or commercial rentals/leasing?

Yes, see City Ord. Ch. 5.20 <a href="http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Marina/">http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Marina/</a>



Where is the City of Marina business license valid?

The City of Marina business license is valid within the City limits.

- Will I need other City permits (such as use permit, home-occupation permit, fictitious business name filing, etc.)?
  - o Use and home-occupation permit Planning Department (831) 884-1220
  - Fictitious business name filing County of Monterey Clerk's Office (831) 755-5450
- Does the City business license expire?

The City business license expires on June  $30^{th}\,$  of each year. The business license tax is due on July  $1^{st}\,$  for the license period of July  $1^{st}\,$  – June  $30^{th}\,$ . For renewal process, see answer above.

See City Ord. Ch. 5.16. http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Marina/

• What are the business license penalties for late filing?

Late payment penalties are applied as follows: August 1<sup>st</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> of 10%, Sept 1<sup>st</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> of 35%, after Oct 1<sup>st</sup> of 50%.

See City Ord. Ch. 5.16 http://www.codepublishing.com/CA/Marina/

How do I change an address or ownership?

For change of address:

- o Update online at www.marina.hdlgov.com
- o Telephone (831) 233-6558

For change of ownership:

- o A new business license application is required.
  - Apply online at <u>www.marina.hdlgov.com</u> or call (831) 233-6558

## Note for restaurants operators

The city prohibits the use of polystyrene foam containers for serving or takeaway. Refer to the municipal code 8.50.030 for more information.

https://marina.municipal.codes/Code/8.50.030