REQUIREMENTS FOR

SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS AND FINAL INSPECTIONS FOR TENTS ASSOCIATED WITH
RESTAURANTS FOR OUTSIDE SEATING TO MEET COVID-19 CRITERIA

For the purpose of expediting permit approval and final inspections the following criteria must be submitted to the Department in order to expedite approval process and the inspection process. Tents processed for this operation will be authorized for a maximum of 180 days from the issuance of permit. At the end of that time period the tent shall either be removed or reactivated through the Permit Center.

All submittal packages should be completed on a maximum of 8.5” x 14” paper.

1. A completed Building permit application
   a. Application may be found at the Inspections and Permits web page: https://www.aacounty.org/departments/inspections-and-permits/permit-center/forms-and-publications/
   b. Make sure there is a contact number and email for the contact information

2. Check for $85.00 made payable to Anne Arundel County.


4. All drawings and information should be placed in an envelope along with the check, sealed and placed into the orange drop-off box in front of the Permit Center, 2664 Riva Road. Do not split the check and permit application; they should be all in one envelope. Packages are retrieved every 2 hours.

5. Please label the envelope “Restaurant Tent Expedite”

6. Permit review and issuance will take place within 2 days of submittal depending upon the time of day the package was submitted, and the amount of applications submitted on any given day.

7. Permit packages will ready for pickup when permits have been approved. Notification to the applicant will be by email, phone or both.
8. Approved Permit packages will be emailed to the applicant. If this is not an option, an appointment will need to be made with the Permit Center as to a time when the permit may be picked up. Please call 410-222-7730 to schedule an appointment.

9. Once the permit is issued you must email a request for inspection to ipmailbox@aacounty.org. If the request is received prior to 12 noon, the department will make every attempt to conduct the inspection the same day. Inspection requests received after 12 noon will be conducted first thing the next inspection day. Please do not use the automated inspection request system to schedule the final inspection.

10. Inspection responsibilities will be split between the Fire Marshal’s Office and the Department of Inspections and Permits. Only one inspection will be required for the final inspection. Once the inspection is conducted and approved the restaurant will be able to use the permitted structure for outside dining, subject to all other COVID-19 requirements imposed.