

## **Village of Richfield**

### **Village Hall Facility Use Policy**

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## 8.0 CHARGES FOR USE OF FACILITIES:

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## 9.0 PROHIBITED USE OF THE FACILITY:

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- 9.3 Programs which interfere with Village Hall operation by causing excessive noise, a safety hazard, or a security risk.
- 9.4 Political meetings for the purpose of furthering the candidacy of a person or persons. The term political meeting does not include a bona fide public informational meeting held by an elected official for the purpose of informing or providing his/her constituents with an opportunity to meet and ask questions of their elected officials as long as the meeting is more than 4 weeks prior to an election for the elected official. The term political meeting also does not include informational meetings or candidate forums sponsored by non-partisan groups if the intent of such meeting is to provide a forum for all candidates or representation of all sides of an issue.

## 10.0 FACILITY REGULATIONS:

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- 10.4 Pets are not allowed in the building unless special exception has been made by the Village Administrator.
- 10.5 Activities sponsored or attended by minors shall have one adult chaperone for each 25 minors present. These adult chaperones shall remain in attendance during the entire event and shall be held responsible for activities of the event.
- 10.6 Proper behavior must be observed at all times both inside and outside the building. Any failure to keep order or any acts of vandalism may result in expulsion and/or arrest. The person making the reservation shall be held responsible for the conduct of the activity.
- 10.7 The private user must strictly abide by all rules, regulations, resolutions and ordinances of the Village of Richfield, and all applicable State and federal laws, at all times during the use.
- 10.8 The person making the reservation, individually and on behalf of the organization that will use the facility (if any), is required to enter a facility use agreement with the Village.
- 10.9 The person entering the facility use agreement must be a resident of the Village, and must be present at the event at all times throughout the private use, unless in the case of emergency. In case of an emergency, the Village Administrator, in his discretion, may allow another Village resident to be the responsible party, provided that such other resident accepts the responsibilities of the same and agrees to be present at all times during the private use.
- 10.10 Use of the facility does not imply Village endorsement of the activity. All publicity for the function must include this statement: "The use of the Village of Richfield property has been made possible pursuant to the Village of Richfield Village Hall/Public Works Facility Use Policy, and the Village of Richfield disclaims any express or implied endorsement of this activity."
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- 10.12 The Village Administrator is authorized to refuse facility usage when, based on past use, the experience or usage by the individual or organization has been unfavorable as determined by the Village Administrator.
- 10.13 The private user shall reimburse the Village of Richfield for any costs the Village incurs related to the private use activity, including, but not limited to, the costs that the Village may incur in providing police protection or security in excess of the personnel ordinarily on duty during the time of use; and the cost of cleaning or repairing the facility following the private use activity. All such costs must be paid in full prior to any further use of any Village facilities.

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**Please note: Cleaning tools/supplies will be provided.**



VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD, WISCONSIN

**VILLAGE HALL FACILITY USE APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT**  
 (Reservation & Deposit Fees Listed Below)

To the Clerk of the Village of Richfield, County of Washington, Wisconsin:

The undersigned hereby applies to use the below listed Village Hall facility. Having read and understanding the conditions of use and general rules of the facilities (see back) the undersigned agrees to comply with and indemnify and save harmless the Village of Richfield from liability which might be occasioned to said Village by virtue of granting reservation as per application.

The applicant agrees to comply with and be bound by all the laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and penalties governing the business for which this license is applied for:

<b>Organization/Group:</b>		
<b>Applicant:</b>	<b>Phone (H):</b>	<b>Phone (C):</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>		
<b>Address:</b>	<b>City:</b>	<b>Zip:</b>
<b>Nature of Activity:</b>		
<b>Day(s) / Date(s) Requested:</b>		<b>Time (include set-up and clean-up time):</b>
<b>Facility Requested:</b> Village Hall <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Please Check All That Apply:</b> Profit <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit <input type="checkbox"/> Beverages Served <input type="checkbox"/> Food Served <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Estimated Attendance:</b> Adult: _____ Youth: _____		
<b>Number of tables needed</b>		
I, the undersigned (representing the sponsor), have read the conditions of use and general rules of the Village regulating use of facilities (see back) and agree to comply with them and further agree to indemnify and save harmless the Village of Richfield from liability which might be occasioned to said Village by virtue of granting reservation as per application.		
<b>Signature of Applicant:</b>		<b>Date:</b>

For Village Use Only

<b>Key Issued to (If Applicable):</b>		<b>Approval Granted:</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Signature:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	
<b>Date Key Issued:</b>	<b>Date Key Returned:</b>	<b>Date Posted on Calendar:</b>	<b>Initial:</b>
<b>Key/Damage/Clean-up Fee:</b>		<b>Date Room was Inspected:</b>	<b>Initial:</b>
<b>Comments:</b>			
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