

## **DESIGN GUIDELINES DOWNTOWN PETOSKEY SIDEWALK FURNISHINGS**

Downtown Design Committee  
Downtown Management Board

1. Purpose and Goals

The purpose of these guidelines is to provide a design context for the selection, placement, and use of sidewalk furnishings in Petoskey's downtown historic district, and to encourage awareness of the importance of design in portraying the image of downtown and individual businesses to customers. Applications for outdoor dining licenses will be evaluated by these guidelines and may be denied if guidelines are not followed.

2. Application of Guidelines

a. Types of furnishings

When selecting furnishings to be placed on public sidewalks, the Design Committee recommends consideration of both scale and style. Table 1 provides specific guidelines.

b. Design Committee

The Design Committee provides advisory consultation to merchants, owners, city and DMB with regard to these guidelines.

c. Licensing

Licensing through the City of Petoskey is required for outdoor dining in the public right-of-way. These guidelines will be used to evaluate the application with regard to placement and design.

**TABLE 1 Guidelines for Benches, Outdoor Dining Furnishings, Planters and Barriers**

	<b>Benches</b>	<b>Planters</b>	<b>Outdoor Dining Furnishings</b>	<b>Barriers</b> (With liquor license only)
<b>SCALE</b>	Recommend four (4) to six (6) feet long benches; Shallow depth (18")	Proportional to ground floor façade features like doorways windows, height of window bulkheads, etc.	Compact setting, two Chairs per table in Single row	Not to exceed 3 feet (36") in height and no less than 50% open
<b>STYLE</b>	Traditional, historical preferred; simple contemporary can be acceptable; not rustic			
<b>MATERIALS</b>	Commercial quality required; Preferably wood or metal. Composites only if in a color and style matching streetscape fixtures.	Wood, stoneware, metal; Composites only if in a color and style matching streetscape fixtures.	Commercial quality required; Preferably wood or metal. Composites only if in a color and style matching streetscape fixtures.	Metal or wood; rigid and semi-permanent
<b>COLORS</b>	Compatible with building colors or downtown fixtures No neon, florescent or iridescent Colors or rusting metal	Compatible with building colors or downtown fixtures	Compatible with building colors or downtown fixtures; No neon, florescent or iridescent colors	Compatible with building colors or downtown fixtures No neon, florescent or iridescent Colors or rusting metal
<b>PLACEMENT</b>	Within thirty (30) inches of building face	Built on to façade below window is best. Accent the entranceway and/or windows. If freestanding, place within Thirty (30) inches of building Face. Minimum vertical Clearance is 80"	Must maintain code-required pedestrian zone	Barriers shall leave code-required pedestrian zone; Barrier shall be rigid and re-moveable
<b>OTHER</b>	Must be kept in excellent condition	Must be kept in excellent condition	Must be kept in excellent condition No waste receptacles in the Right-of-way; but waste should Be cleared by staff regularly	Must be kept in excellent Condition; Barrier base cannot extend into the pedestrian zone; stanchion base cannot exceed ¼" vertical height

# Appendix 1

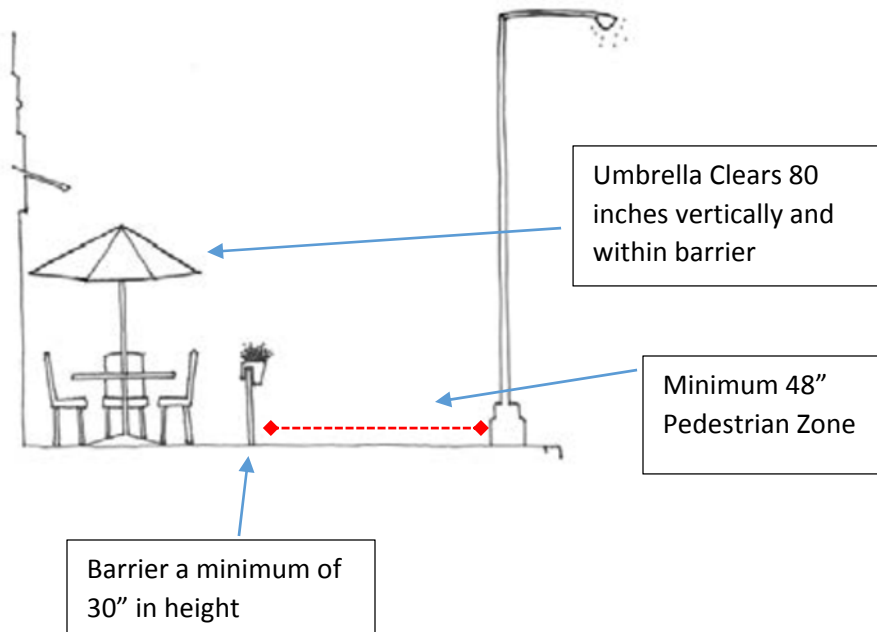
## Outdoor Café Furnishings

### Acceptable





**Unacceptable**



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