

City of North Vancouver **COVID-19 Micro Weddings Guidelines**

OVERVIEW

To support community well being, local businesses and the use of outdoor spaces, the City of North Vancouver has created temporary booking guidelines for micro weddings during COVID-19. These guidelines allow for fair and balanced use of the public realm and give due consideration to community access and economic recovery.

Physical distance micro-weddings in City's public spaces are intended to be short and safe celebration for couples, officiants, and witnesses. With large weddings cancelled across our community, this pilot project will provide an opportunity for couples to tie the knot.

Micro weddings must only consist of a ceremony; receptions or large gatherings are not permitted. Couples must be prepared to bring their own officiant, marriage licence and photographer. All items and waste brought onsite must be removed before the expiration of the booking.

LOCATION AND HOURS

Booking requests are considered on a month-by-month basis. The venue is available for bookings on Fridays from 12:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. for one hour timeslots. Each one hour booking must include set-up and tear-down.

St Roch Landing is a scenic deck space located to the east of Pier 7 restaurant. The landing leads down to St. Roch Dock, a multi-use public space with moorage. This space provides an intimate area with panoramic views of downtown Vancouver.

SITE MAP



BOOKING CONSIDERATIONS

The City offers community public spaces which have seen an increase in casual use due to COVID-19 restrictions. The City continues to support casual use of the site and reserves the right to restrict the number and frequency of bookings to ensure a balance of accessibility for the general public.

All bookings are made on a first come, first served basis, as outdoor community spaces will be kept open to the public at all times. It is recommended that wedding parties booked in public spaces are comfortable with having members of the public in the same vicinity as their ceremony.

GUESTS

- 5 people, including the couple, officiant, and witnesses, are required to hold a wedding ceremony
- Maximum 10 people capacity including vendors (example: photographers)
- Guests are required to maintain physical distancing at all times
- Additional guests are not permitted to view the ceremony from afar
- Wedding groups may not arrive early
- City Staff will place a "*Wedding ceremony, please respect the couple's love bubble*" sign in front of the booked space

DECORATIONS

- Must be minimal and not affixed in any way
- All decorations must be approved by City Staff
- Pack in and pack out all decorations

PHOTOGRAPHERS

- Couples may hire their own photographers
- Maintain physical distancing during photo opportunities

All vendors are required to fill out the [Event Application Form](#).

INDEMNIFICATION BY APPLICANT

The Applicant will indemnify and save harmless the City from and against any liabilities, damages, causes of action, actions, claims, suites, judgments, costs, charges and expenses (including lawyers' fees and litigation expenses) whatsoever which the City may incur or suffer or be put to by reason of or in connection with or arising from any breach, violation or non-performance by the Applicant of any obligation hereunder to be observed or performed by the Applicant, any wrongful act or neglect of the Applicant on or about the City, any damage to property related to the Applicant's use and occupation of the City

or the death or injury to any person related to the Applicant's use and occupation of the City.

RELEASE BY APPLICANT

In addition to the indemnification provided above, and without limitation, the Applicant agrees that, except where caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct on the part of the City, and, despite anything else in this agreement, the City will not be liable for, and hereby releases the City from any and all claims, causes of action, damages, demands for damages and other liabilities that may arise from the Applicant's use of the City's public spaces and the City's permission provided for such use, including any cancellation of the permission for the use of the public spaces and any consequential losses.

FEES

- \$90 + GST/ per hour booking fee
- All wedding parties are required to carry a minimum of \$5 million Commercial General Liability Insurance naming the City of North Vancouver as an additional insured

COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS

- Applicant must follow all current public health recommendations for physical distancing
- Applicant must keep a list of attendees' contact information