



# 2026 NCAA MEN'S FINAL FOUR



March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 7<sup>th</sup>

Department of Business and Neighborhood Services  
Information Packet

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# Summary

Section 986-201 of the Revised Code of the Consolidated City of Indianapolis states, “notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, the following activity shall be permitted within the special event zone boundaries during a civic sponsored special event, provided that a limited duration license is first issued by the division of construction and business services.”

This packet provides a summary of activities affected by the implemented clean zones that may necessitate limited duration licenses (LDLs). An LDL, defined by section 986-101 of the Revised Code of the Consolidated City of Indianapolis, is “a license issued by the division of construction and business services for a limited time frame within a defined area and for certain activities as authorized by this chapter.”

LDLs are subject to review by the event sponsor and are required for any activity listed below:

- Temporary Vending
- Sampling
- Temporary Signs
- Temporary Structures
- Currently Licensed Activity (where applicable)
- Use of Previously Vacant Structures
- Mobile Wireless Facilities

A timeline of the clean zone, a map of the clean zone, frequently asked questions, and contact information for the Department of Business and Neighborhood Services are provided within this packet.

A copy of [Chapter 986](#) of the Revised Code is posted on the Special Events website: <https://www.indy.gov/activity/special-events-permits>.

For questions and information, please contact the Department of Business and Neighborhood Services via email at [SpecialEvents@indy.gov](mailto:SpecialEvents@indy.gov) or phone at (317)327-1617.

Please be advised that all information included in this packet is provided for informational purposes and may be subject to change. Changes and modifications will be posted on the special events [website](#).



# Relevant Dates

## January 30

Distribution of clean zone information packet

Department of Business and Neighborhood Services (“BNS”) begins accepting applications for all limited duration licenses (“LDLs”)

Spaces within existing buildings that are vacant on this date are required to obtain an LDL prior to occupancy

## March 20

Final day to submit temporary structure permit applications to BNS to ensure proper processing and inspections for the temporary activity period

Final day to submit LDL applications to BNS for:

- Vending
- Sampling
- Signs
- Temporary Structures
- Currently Unlicensed Parking Facilities
- Currently Licensed Activity
- Mobile Wireless Facilities

Initial day that licensed temporary signs may be erected

Initial day that licensed mobile wireless facilities may be erected

Construction of licensed temporary and permitted temporary structures may begin

Construction of licensed mobile wireless facilities may begin

Final day LDLs will be issued for a previously vacant structure

Public may occupy all permitted and licensed temporary structures

## March 30

**Event activity period begins, clean zone requirements are in effect**

Initial time that licensed temporary vending may begin

Initial time that licensed sampling may begin

## April 8

**Event activity period ends. All temporary licensed activity must cease (Including, but not limited to, occupancy of temporary structures)**

## April 9

All licensed temporary structures must be completely removed

Licensed temporary signs must be completely removed

Licensed mobile wireless facilities must be completely removed



# Activity Specific Information

## Cart Vendors

No cart vendor may set up within the clean zone without an LDL and direct approval from the event sponsor.

## Food Trucks

No vendor may set up within the clean zone boundaries without an LDL and direct approval from the event sponsor.

## Pedal Cabs

No licensed pedal cabs may operate within the clean zone without an LDL and direct approval from the event sponsor.

## Pedal Bars

No licensed pedal bars may operate within the clean zone boundaries without an LDL and direct approval from the event sponsor.

## Horse-Drawn Carriages

No licensed horse-drawn carriages may operate within the clean zone boundaries without an LDL and direct approval from the event sponsor.

## Downtown Restaurants, Bars, and Hotels

As with previous civic sponsored special events, any temporary vending, structures, or signage placed outdoors will require event sponsor approval and the issuance of an LDL from the Department of Business and Neighborhood Services.

Vending includes, but is not limited to, selling, or distributing goods, free or for a cost, directly to the public that is otherwise not permitted within the scope of your license.

## Sidewalk Cafés

This clean zone will not affect day-to-day operations of existing sidewalk cafes; however, there should be no vending directly from your café to the public.

## Ticket Brokers

Ticket Brokers are not required to obtain an LDL; however, they must remain at least fifty (50) feet outside the clean zone boundaries. For this event, the clean zone area, as a whole, is restricted to ticket brokers.

## Shared Mobility Devices

Shared mobility devices are prohibited from operating within the scooter restricted zones beginning 12:01 AM on Monday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026, until 11:59 PM on Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026. During this period, shared mobility operators must geofence each scooter restricted zone as defined on the Scooters Restricted Map.

*Any unauthorized activity found operating within the clean zone during the period designated above is subject to enforcement action from BNS inspectors and IMPD.*



# Prohibited Activity

## Unapproved Temporary Vending and Sampling

The outdoor sale or distribution of food and/or merchandise that has not been approved by the event sponsor, and that has not obtained a limited duration license from the Department of Business and Neighborhood Services, or that is not associated with a private event in a licensed temporary structure, is prohibited.

The boring or cutting of any kind into a public way (including but not limited to a street, sidewalk, or alley) as part of a licensed temporary food or merchandise sales operation is prohibited.

*Any unauthorized vending activity found operating within the clean zone during the period designated above is subject to enforcement action from BNS inspectors and IMPD.*

## Unapproved Signage and Advertising

Mobile advertising signs of any kind shall be prohibited except for IndyGo buses and authorized event buses. Mobile advertising signs include any advertising on or attached to a vehicle, portable device, or person.

Food stands, booths, carts, pedal cabs, trucks, and trailers may not contain signage unrelated to that specific vendor and may not be used as mobile advertising instruments or billboards.

Signs located on buildings that are declared unsafe, as determined by BNS, are prohibited.

For applicants other than the event sponsor, only wall signs will be permitted with a limited duration license and approval from the Event Sponsor.

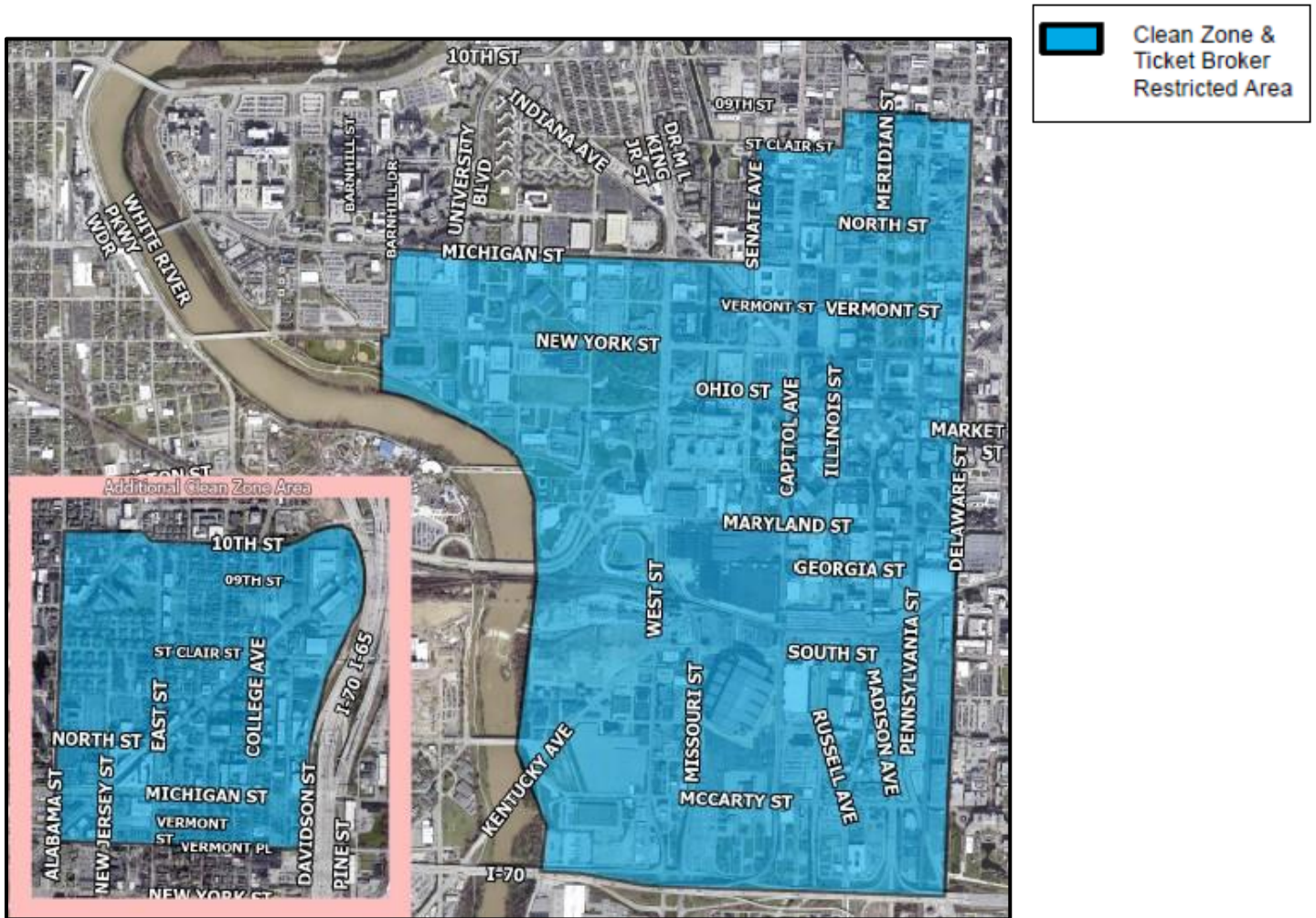
*Any unauthorized signage activity found operating within the Clean Zone during the period designated above is subject to enforcement action from BNS inspectors and IMPD.*



# Clean Zone Map

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### Boundaries

This clean zone map includes an additional clean zone area around Mass Avenue and irregular clean zone boundaries; please refer to the map for details.

**North** - Michigan Street between Barnhill Drive and Senate Avenue, St. Clair Street between Senate Avenue and Illinois Street, and 9<sup>th</sup> Street between Illinois Street and Delaware Street

**South** - Interstate 70 between the White River and Delaware Street

**East** - Delaware Street between 9<sup>th</sup> Street and Interstate 70

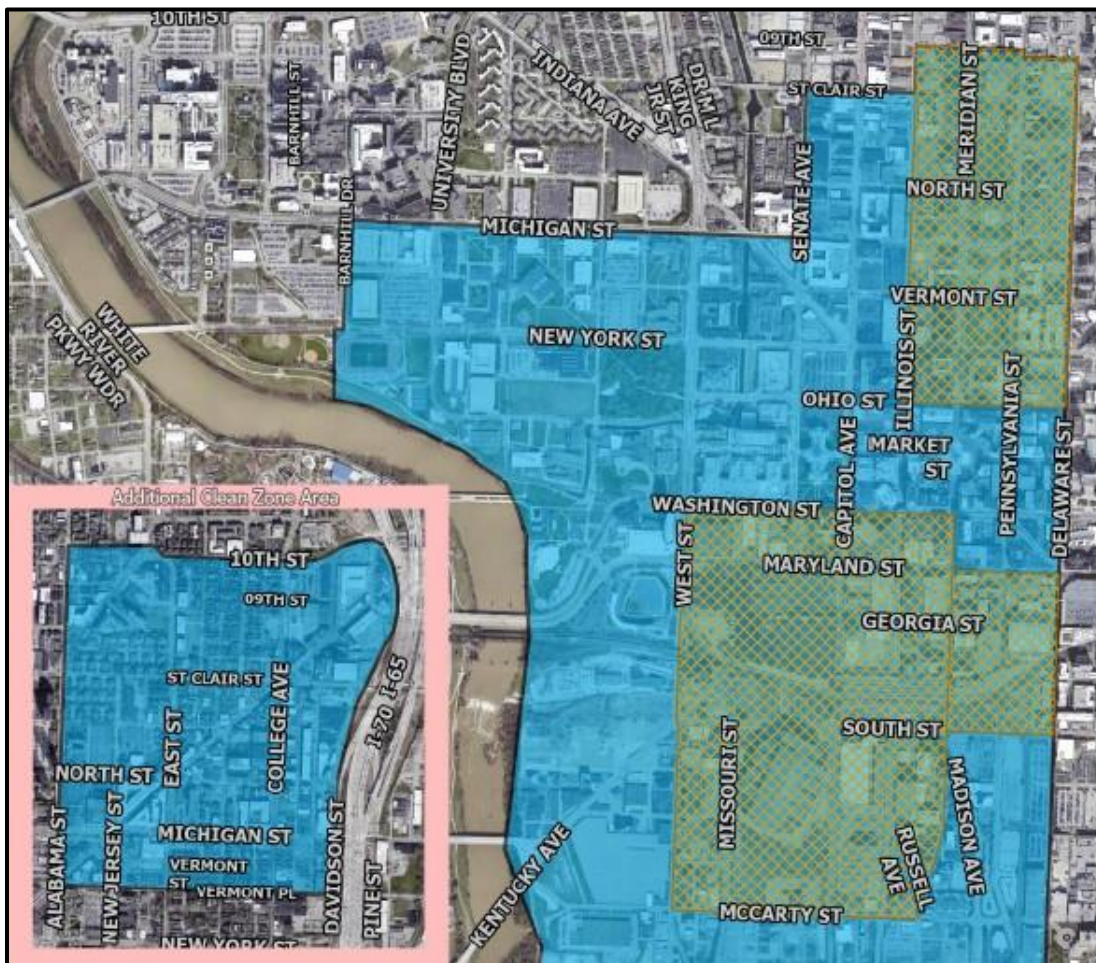
**West** - White River between Barnhill Drive and Interstate 70, Senate Avenue between St. Clair Street and Michigan Street, and Illinois Street between 9<sup>th</sup> Street and St. Clair Street.



# Scooters Restricted Map

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### Boundaries

There are two scooter restricted zones within the clean zone. The boundaries for each zone are outlined below.

**North** - 9<sup>th</sup> Street between Illinois Street and Delaware Street

**South** - Ohio Street between Illinois Street and Delaware Street

**East** - Delaware Street between 9<sup>th</sup> Street and Ohio Street

**West** - Illinois Street between 9<sup>th</sup> Street and Ohio Street

**North** - Washington Street between West Street and Meridian Street

Maryland Street between Meridian Street and Delaware Street

**South** - McCarty Street between West Street and Meridian Street

South Street between Meridian Street and Delaware Street

**East** - Meridian Street from Washington Street to McCarty Street

Delaware Street from Maryland Street to South Street

**West** - West Street from Washington Street to McCarty Street

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

## **Q: What is the clean zone?**

**A:** The clean zone is a geographically defined area where an event sponsor has the ability to approve temporary activity based upon the content or type of such activity. This approval is limited to temporary activity. Decisions are made in conjunction with the City of Indianapolis to ensure that the interests of residents and neighbors are balanced with those of the event.

## **Q: How will my existing business operation be affected by the clean zone?**

**A:** All lawful, existing business operations not engaging in temporary activity will not be affected by a special event or creation of a clean zone. If you wish to make an improvement during this period that is not temporary, you will have to use the typical process to obtain permits, Regional Center approval, etc.

## **Q: If I am erecting a temporary structure that has advertising signs or mobile food set up within it, do I need to obtain multiple LDLs?**

**A:** Yes, a separate LDL application, fee, and approval are required for each type of temporary activity. For example, a tent that has a large advertisement imprinted on its roof would require an LDL for the temporary structure and the temporary sign. If the tent were to sell food or beverages, an LDL would also be necessary for the temporary vending.

## **Q: How do I apply for an LDL?**

**A:** All LDL applications are available online at <https://www.indy.gov/activity/special-events-permits>. All LDL applications and supporting documents must be submitted to the Department of Business and Neighborhood Services via email to [specialevents@indy.gov](mailto:specialevents@indy.gov) or by mail, 200 E. Washington Street, Suite 107, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.



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