



WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT . . .

Door-to-door sales

IN MINNEAPOLIS

Minneapolis has some brand new rules around door-to-door sales that make it easier to know who you're dealing with when you open your door. The new rules also make it harder for out-of-state companies to exploit youth workers.

If a salesperson knocks on your door:

- They are required to wear a City-issued photo identification card so you know they're properly licensed or registered.
- If a salesperson doesn't have a City-issued photo ID card, do not buy from them.
 - If you believe a company is exploiting youth workers, call 911 so the City can take action. *(See more details below).*
- Door-to-door salespeople cannot knock on doors before 8 a.m. or after 9 p.m. *(or sunset, whichever is later), and they must leave your property if you ask them to leave.*
 - You can also post a sign indicating "no solicitors."



Sample ID card

WHAT ABOUT CANVASSERS?

While all salespeople are required to register and get an ID card in Minneapolis, because of federal law, people who are canvassing are NOT required to get identification cards. That includes people who advocate for religious, social, or political causes.

WHAT IF MY CHILD'S SCHOOL OR YOUTH GROUP PLANS TO DO DOOR-TO-DOOR SALES?

The City wants to make it easy for schools and youth groups to do their regular door-to-door fundraising sales, so the City will approve group identification cards to those groups at no cost. Just call **673-2080** to learn more, or visit www.minneapolismn.gov and search for "solicitor" in the search box.

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW ABOUT TRAVELING MAGAZINE SALES CREWS?

Some companies create dangerous situations for young people by taking youth across state lines to sell magazines door to door. This can often be unsafe. In fact, traveling magazine crews are one of the top five most dangerous jobs for teens. If a youth comes to your door to sell magazines and does not have a City ID card, offer them the 24-hour phone number for Parent Watch at **917-579-4641** or the National Runaway Switchboard at **1-800-786-2929**.

