City of Miami
Office of Film and Entertainment

City of Miami Film Regulations

All Applications Require:

- Film permit application (Must apply online at [www.miamifilmooffice.com](http://www.miamifilmooffice.com)).
- Copy of the Certificate of Insurance (Must be general liability insurance for $1,000,000). Must have this exact wording listed in the description of operations: “City of Miami is listed as Additional Insured with respect to claims arising out of the operations of the Named Insured. Coverage is Primary & Non-Contributory basis” Certificate holder has to be under “City of Miami, 444 SW 2nd Ave Miami Fl. 33130”.
- Notifications (Advance notification of your planned activity must be coordinated through letters distributed in the production-impacted area to inform residents and businesses to assist them in making arrangements for your production activity). Your notification should also include any parking requests for preparation and wrap-up days. These notifications are primary notifications for residents and should be distributed no later than 72 to 48 hours prior to your shoot to each physical address in a 500 ft. radius extending in all directions from your key location and those impacted by your parking footprint.

No City Wide Permits allowed

Off Duty Police will be required when the production cast/crew size is 15 or greater

All bullet points listed below are requirements that must be met before a film permit will be issued

B-roll or documentary:

- Less than five (5) person cast/crew
- Need list showing ALL shooting/filming addresses
• Description of the scene
• Dates and times
• Copy of the notification letters

Driving Shots:
• Must contact Police Special Events Unit at (305) 603-6510 located at 444 SW 2nd Ave
  Miami FL 33130 1st floor. In the event of driving shots, at least one off duty officer must
  accompany production. Unless going (driving) with the flow of traffic.
• Driving route
• Must have a base camp if the production cast/crew size is 15 or greater

State Roads or Expressways:
• Must contact FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation) at (305) 470-5367 if
  production will impede vehicular or pedestrian traffic on a state road
• FDOT Filming on a State Road form. (Original form signed by the Production company,
  City of Miami Film Official and the Miami Police Special Events Unit)
• Google aerial picture with the highlighted area of your film/shoot.
• Certificate of Insurance naming the Florida Department of Transportation as additional
  insure and certificate holder. The Certificate holder has to be under: Florida Department
  of Transportation 1000 NW 11 Ave. Room 6201 Miami Florida, 33172.
• Must make 4 copies of all documents and take them to the office of Florida Department
  of Transportation (FDOT) located at 1000 NW 11 Ave. Room 6201 Miami Florida, 33172.

Aerial Shots-Low Fly:
• Pilots license and insurance
• Approval from FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation)
• Approval from FAA (Federal Aviation Administration)
• UAS Drone usage requires a $100 application fee
• Apply for the use of a drone here. https://form.jotform.com/miamifilm/city-of-miami-
  uas-permit

Film/Shoot Inside of Private Property:
If the production company is going to be contained inside the property.
• Must contact the “property owner” and send confirmation of approval.
• Business/property owners on both sides of location where you are filming must be
  notified in writing/along with the signature survey form.
For a production with 15 or more people:

- Must meet with the Office of Film Supervisor and Miami Police Special Unit
- Must get a base camp or parking lot
- Must send a Google aerial picture with exact parking location if vehicles will be parked on the street. (No more than six (6) parking meters allowed)
- Must notify the area in writing and send copy to the Office of Film & Entertainment. (500 ft. radius extending in all directions from your key location and those impacted by your parking footprint)
- Must get signature from the property owners that are affected for the parking locations.

Street Closures:

- Must contact Police Special Events Units at (305) 603-6510 located at 444 SW 2nd Ave Miami Ave 33130 1st floor
- Must have the exact address of the closure.
- Must have MOT (Maintenance of Traffic Plan)
- Sign-off form showing the area affected by the lane/street closure
- Notifications and signature survey form must be sent to the film office

Intermittent Traffic Control (ITC):

- Must contact Police Special Events Unit at (305) 603-6510 located at 444 SW 2nd Ave Miami Ave 33130 1st floor
- Notifications

Parks:

On the film permit application:

- Must specify what area of the park they will utilized
- Must specify if food trucks/cooking inside the park will be utilized
- Must specify dates, times and a brief description of their event. (Facility and staff fees will be applied depending on the information provided)
- Must contact the Parks department for approval (305) 416-1133

Bridges: (Must have a City of Miami permit):

- Approval from FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation)
- Must have Coast Guard approval
Please contact: Jason Hattaway, Sector Miami Waterways Division, Coast Guard
(305) 535-4317 phone; (305) 535-4378 fax; Jason.R.Hattaway@uscg.mil
https://homeport.uscg.mil/mycg/portal/ep/marine_event/marine_event_form.jsp

- City of Miami Police escort required
- No permits allowed on the Brickell Key Bridge

**City of Miami Marinas:**

- Prior to the event, must contact the Marina Manager to get their approval and send a written confirmation to the film office.

**Private Property:**

- The City of Miami requires for you to apply for a film permit in order to film on a private property, however, the City of Miami does not authorize anyone to have an event on private property. To film inside of a private property the applicant must contact the ‘property owner’.
- If your production is contained in a private property (residential or commercial), the City of Miami requires that the business/property owners on both sides of the location where you are filming be notified in writing/on the signature survey form. A copy of the notification must be sent to the Film Department 48 hours before your event.

**City of Miami Sidewalks:**

- If production will block a sidewalk or any public right of way, approval and permit are required from the MPD Special Events Office (305) 603-6510. All affected merchants must be notified in writing, 48 hours prior to filming and a copy is to be sent to the City of Miami Film office.

**Downtown Miami Streets:**

- If production will block a sidewalk or any public right of way, approval and permit are required from the MPD Special Events Office (305)603-6510. All affected merchants must be notified in writing, 48 hours prior to filming and the City of Miami Film office will need a copy. To Film in front of the court house please contact Carol Dickson (305)349-7600, Dickson@miamidade.gov

**Bayfront Park:**

- This location requires approval of Bay Front Park Management (305) 358-7550.

**Miami Riverwalk Promenade:**

- Bret Bibeau
  - Miami River Commission 1407 NW 7th St # 1, Miami, FL (305) 644-0544 · miamirivercommission.org

**Brickell Sidewalk and/or Street:**
• Homeowners association and individually effected residents must be notified in writing

Coconut Grove Business District:
• Must notify BID (Business Improvement District)
  o Manny Gonzalez, Executive Director, Coconut Grove Business Improvement District, 3390 Mary St. #130 Coconut Grove FL 33133. Phone: (305) 461-5506. Fax: (305)461-5773
• If filming blocks pedestrian or vehicular traffic, this location requires approval and permit from MPD Special Event Office (305) 603-6510. Must notify affected merchants/business in writing. Meters can be purchased from Miami Parking Authority, (305) 373-6789.

Coconut Grove Expo Center:
• This location requires additional coordination with the film office and fees may be accessed

Coconut Grove Sailing Club:
• This location requires additional coordination with the film office and fees may be accessed

Design District:
• If production will block a sidewalk or any public right of way, approval and permit are required from the MPD Special Events Office (305) 603-6510. All affected merchants must be notified in writing, 48 hours prior to filming and copy to the City of Miami Film office.
• Notify DACRA REALTY contacts:
  o Sandra Santiago Director, Experiential Marketing & Events Miami Design District Associates, (305)531-8896, Email: sandra@designdistrict.net
  o Anna Williams, (305)573-8116, Anna@dacra.com
  o Juliana Mejia, Events Coordinator, (786)802-6679, Juliana@designdistrict.net

Wynwood Graffiti Sidewalks:
• If production will block a sidewalk or any right of way, approval and permit are required from the MPD Special Events Office (305) 603-6510. All affected merchants must be notified in writing. Copy of notification letter must be submitted to film office before film permit approval. Production Company is also responsible for notifying **ALL** artists whose artwork will be in film shoot

SW 8 St. Driving shots or on Foot:
This location requires approval and permit from the MPD Special Events Office (305) 603-6510. If shooting will impede vehicular or pedestrian traffic then the production company will need to contact FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation for approval)
**Biscayne Blvd. Driving Shots or On Foot:**
- If production will block a sidewalk or any right of way, approval and permit are required from the MPD Special Events Office (305) 603-6510; Please be respectful of retail merchants/storefronts. The production company is also responsible for disposing of any garbage and waste accumulated during production. All affected merchants must be notified in writing. Copy of notification letter must be submitted to film office before film permit approval. If shooting will impede vehicular or pedestrian traffic then the production company will need to contact FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation for approval)

**Watson Island:**
- General Counsel to Flagstone Property Group at 888 MacArthur Causeway Miami FL 33132. Please contact Nathalie H. Goulet, Esq at (305) 206-8761 or fax (305) 531-3748. ngoulet@flagstonegroup.com
- This permit is only for unleased areas. Filming must not interfere with tenant operations. The east end of the island requires an additional land use permit from Asset Management, please call (305) 416-1426.

**Marine Stadium Parking Lot:**
- Must contact the Department of Asset Management Vivian Izsack (305) 416-1476 vizsack@miamigov.com

**City of Miami Parks:**
- Special fees apply to this location, please contact the City of Miami Parks Special Events Office at (305) 416-1133. Payments should be made by cashier’s checks, money orders or online

**Domino Park:**
- Must contact the Parks Department for approval (305) 416-1133
- Be advised that you are permitted to shoot but the shooting must not interfere with the citizens using the park. The park will not be shut down and you are not permitted to ask citizens to leave or move from a space. This permit does not allow applicant to film at SW 8th Street or Sidewalk.

**Little Haiti Cultural Center:**
- Special fees apply to this location, please contact the City of Miami Parks Special Events Office at (305) 416-1133. Payments should be made by cashier’s checks, money orders or online, Abraham Metellus (305) 960-2967

**Historic Virginia Key Beach Park:**
- Requires approval from Guy Forchion at (305) 960-4603 gforchion@miamigov.com or Michelle Swaby at (305) 960-4618 mswaby@miamigov.com
Virginia Key Beach:
- Special fees apply to this location, please contact the City of Miami Parks Special Events Office at (305) 416-1133. Payments should be made by cashier’s checks, money orders or online

City of Miami Driving Shots:
- All driving shots that require a process rig, car to car, major car mounts or any traffic control, require off-duty police escort. Each road has specific restrictions; please call the film office for details. For traffic control, the MPD Special Events Office must be contacted prior to filming advance. (305) 603-6510. If the driving shot will be on a state rd., will need a permit from FDOT.

Rickenbacker CSWY (City of Miami Police Escort):
- Film Permit from Miami Dade County Film Office (305) 375-3288
- This location requires approval from MPD Special Events Office (305) 606-6510
- Requires a City of Miami Film Permit

Midtown Shops – Requires approval from Midtown Miami CDD:
- Notification letters
- Deborah Samuel, Midtown Miami CDD, Operations Manager
  - 3401 North Miami Ave Miami Florida 33127
  - manager@midtownmiamicdd.net
  - Office: (305) 573-3371 x 103
  - Direct: (561)414-6270