

**APPLICATION/PERMISSION TO OBSTRUCT OR CONSTRUCT A SIDEWALK
IN THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE.**

Please read the below instructions:

1. Is the sidewalk you are proposing part of construction for a new driveway or expansion of an existing driveway?
Check one: () Yes () No. If yes go to item number 4 below. If no go to item no. 2.

2. Is the proposed sidewalk construction site located within the Special Improvement District (SID)? . Check One: () Yes () No. If No, proceed to instruction no.3. If yes, brick sidewalk pavers are to be used. There will be a fully refundable \$2,000.00 cash bond required from the applicant to be held by the Borough for a two year period to allow for any repairs needed due to trench settlement.

3. Is the proposed sidewalk construction site located within the Bluestone Preservation Area? (See attached BPA map).
Check One: () Yes () No. If No go to instruction no. 5. If yes then according to Ordinance no. 2180:

A. Sidewalks which are now wholly, or at least twenty percent (20%), composed of **Bluestone** (slate) shall be replaced with same unless a suitable alternate material described elsewhere in this section, and approved by the Borough of Somerville for use, is used.

B. Sidewalks which are located within the perimeter boundaries of any designated **Bluestone** preservation area, conservation area or any historic area, district, or zone, and which are in any fashion disturbed, altered, or removed, shall be constructed of or replaced only with **Bluestone** unless a suitable alternate material described elsewhere in this section, and approved by the Borough of Somerville for use, is used. (See Ordinance 2180 for more details).

4. A zoning permit is required from the Code Enforcement Office for a driveway which is proposed as new or expanded. Attach a copy of your approved zoning permit to this application. For further processing. Go to item 2.

5. Sidewalk outside of the SID and Bluestone Preservation Area is to be constructed of concrete in accordance with borough Specifications. A copy of these specifications is available at the Somerville Engineer's office. For clarification you may attach a sketch of the areas of sidewalk and apron you are proposing to construct.

Permission is hereby granted to: (Print Name) _____

Your Home Address _____ phone no. _____

Email Address _____

Address of Work Site _____

For all areas itemized above it is the applicant's responsibility to notify utility companies that may be affected by work being done. If a tree may be damaged as a result of work to be done on the sidewalk then it is suggested you call the Public Works Office at 908-704-2490 for an evaluation prior to beginning work or email bnally@somervillenj.org. There are consequences for any tree damaged within the Borough right of way. All work is to be done in accordance with Borough specifications. **Applicant is to call 908-704-2490 at least 24 hours in advance prior to ordering concrete or laying stone to allow for Borough inspection.** By signature below the applicant affirms his/her understanding of these instructions.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____ \$10 Check Rec. on _____ by: _____
Initials

Signature of approval by: Borough of Somerville Engineering Department _____ Date _____