



Film Permit Program City of Dayton, Ohio

Dayton Film and Screen Team (FAST)

The City of Dayton's Film and Screen Team (FAST) is a one-stop destination for film and television production. Dayton has a growing professional film and production community, and the FAST program will make it easier to complete your project. FAST provides a user-friendly network of City staff and outstanding regional resources that will help you produce your next project in Dayton.

By bringing your project to the Dayton region, you will benefit from a rich cultural heritage, unique spaces, and a close-knit community of artists and producers. Dayton is a leader in supporting the arts community. The information below will help you start your production in Dayton.

Dayton Film Permit

Since 2009, the Dayton Film Permit has made it easier to complete a film project in Dayton. The Film Permit provides an easy-to-use checklist and referral system for obtaining any additional permits you may need. The FAST team will expedite the permit process and provide information.

The Dayton Film Permit is only required for professional film projects when the project is disrupting a public right-of-way, occurring on any City-owned property, or when special assistance is needed from City staff, such as for street closures or pyrotechnics.

The Film Permit is recommended (but not required) for any filming that involves stunts, exotic animals, camera cars, aircraft, combat, large casts, or other unusual circumstances. It is also recommended when filming will occur on private property that may be disruptive to the community in any way, such as parking issues or excessive noise. News organizations and individual citizens are not required to have a permit, unless special assistance is needed on-site during filming. Certain requirements may be waived for supervised student projects.

The City does not charge a fee for the Film Permit. The City of Dayton shall be held harmless from any liability associated with a film permit. Any reference to the "City of Dayton" and/or use of official City logos or any derivation thereof on film requires written approval.

To issue a Film Permit, the City will request: **1)** a certificate of insurance that names the City as an additional insured; and **2)** a map or description of the area(s) proposed for filming.

The Film Permit should be submitted at least ten (10) days in advance. Additional permits may be required by local law. Customary charges will apply for City services and any other required permits. The City's assistance may include traffic control or escorted entry onto public property.

FilmDayton

Dayton productions may benefit from working with *FilmDayton*, a private-sector organization dedicated to professional networking and film production in the Dayton region. *FilmDayton* provides valuable technical assistance for this program. Visit <https://www.filmdayton.com/>

Other Resources:

- Dayton-Montgomery County Visitor's Bureau
- Ohio Film Office, Ohio Department of Development
- Ohio Film Tax Credit (requires approval by the State)
- Ohio hotel sales tax exemption (with 30 day minimum stay)
- City facilities may be available for use upon request

For more information on how we can better assist your next production, please contact:
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