



Zoning Resolution

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
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CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
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91-821 - Certification for outdoor cafes within arcades

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An outdoor cafe may be permitted within an #arcade# upon certification by the Chairperson of the City Planning Commission to the Commissioner of Buildings that, in addition to the provisions of this Section, the provisions of Section [91-822](#) (Requirements for furnishings) are met. An outdoor cafe that is permitted by this Section shall be a permanently unenclosed restaurant or eating or drinking place, which may have waiter or table service.

No portion of an outdoor cafe that is permitted by this Section may extend into a #publicly accessible open area# except where an open air cafe has been permitted by a certification pursuant to Section [37-73](#) (Kiosks and Open Air Cafes).

In order to certify that the proposed modification to an existing #arcade# is consistent with the provisions of this Section, the applicant shall submit to the Chairperson a site plan and other detailed plans demonstrating that the proposed obstructions within the existing #arcade# and, where applicable, pursuant to paragraph (a)(2) of Section [91-822](#), the adjacent #publicly accessible open area#, will comply with the provisions of this Section. The placement of publicly accessible tables and chairs within a #publicly accessible open area# pursuant to paragraph (a)(2) of Section [91-822](#) shall not constitute a design change pursuant to the provisions of Section 37-625.

All plans for #arcades# or other #publicly accessible open areas# that are the subject of a certification pursuant to this Section shall be filed and duly recorded in the Office of the City Register of the City of New York, indexed against the property in the form of a legal instrument, in a form satisfactory to the Chairperson, providing notice of the certification of the #arcade#, pursuant to this Section. The filing and recording of such instrument shall be a precondition to certification. The filing and recording information shall be included on any temporary or final certificate of occupancy for any #building#, or portion thereof, on the #zoning lot# issued after the recording date.