

Attention all Buskers!

Granville Downtown is the place to be!
 ♦ Longer Hours ♦ Limited amplification ♦

Effective June 25th to October 31st, the City of Vancouver is conducting a trial relaxation of street entertainment guidelines on the New Granville Street Downtown, in consultation with the Vancouver Police Department and the Downtown Vancouver Business Improvement Association.

Where can I set up?

On the new Granville between Helmcken and Hastings Look for the “Busk Stop Signs”; you can set up within 10 metres (30 feet) of these signs.

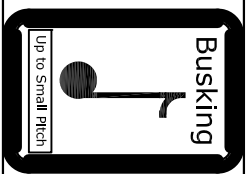
Depending on where the Busk Stop is located, there are three pitch sizes allowed - one block can have a combination of pitches, but can only have a maximum of 2 large pitches at the same time.

Small pitch (S)
 Minor amplification, designed for passers by, not designed for crowd building.

Medium pitch (M)
 Medium amplification, small crowd building, less than 50 person audience.

Large pitch (L)
 Medium+ amplification, circle crowds, middle of street or large plaza spaces, 100+ person audience.

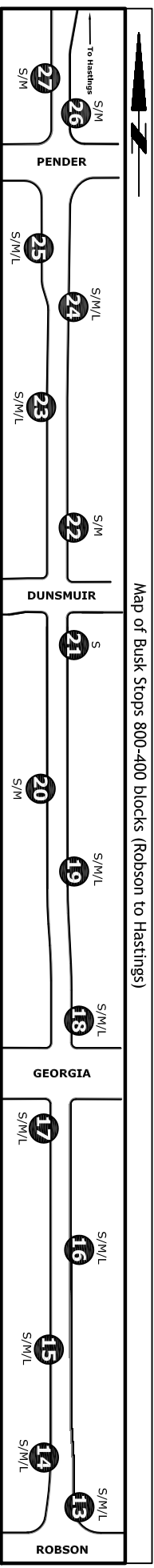
Please refer to the map below to see which pitches are allowed on each block.



Busk Stops will be indicated with this sign attached to a light pole.

Please set up within **30 feet** of the sign.

Map of Busk Stops 800-400 blocks (Robson to Hastings)



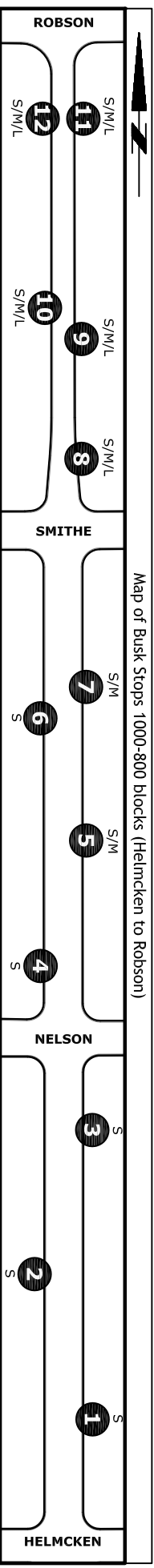
400 Block (Pender-Hastings)
 Small/medium pitches only on this block

500 Block (Dunsmuir-Pender)
 Pitch 22: Small/medium pitches
 All other locations: all pitches permitted

600 Block (Georgia-Dunsmuir)
 Pitch 18 & 19: all pitches permitted
 Pitch 20: small/medium pitches
 Pitch 21: small pitch only

700 Block (Robson-Georgia)
 Maximum of 2 large pitches with small pitches; or a combination of small & medium pitches

Map of Busk Stops 1000-800 blocks (Helmcken to Robson)



800 Block (Smithe-Robson)
 Maximum of 2 large pitches with small pitches; or a combination of small & medium pitches

900 Block (Nelson-Smithe)
 Pitch 4: small only
 Pitch 5: small/medium pitches
 Pitch 6: small only
 Pitch 7: small/medium pitches

1000 Block (Helmcken-Nelson)
 Small pitches only on this block

What else is new?

Street entertainment hours have been extended to midnight every night this summer, through to October 31, 2010.

Will this trial continue?

Throughout the summer, the City and its partners will monitor how these new guidelines affect residents, businesses and the public's enjoyment of the street. During the trial, the City may move busking locations and/or reassess the pitch sizes of select busk stops. Once the trial is over, the City will review the temporary guidelines to determine the level of success with the new busk stop system. Any permanent changes made to street entertainment guidelines will be communicated to permit holders.