

Section 2: WORKING ON STREETS WITH SPECIAL RESTRICTIONS

Depending on the work site, there are certain restrictions that will apply. This section identifies streets where work is limited by time of day or day of the week. In some instances contractors may be restricted to working during evenings and weekends.

2.1 Streets of Major Traffic Importance (Appendix C, Table 1 and Appendix D, Map 1)

Table 1 in Appendix C lists the City streets on which traffic lanes must be kept clear during certain times of the day, and the restricted hours for each block. No work is allowed during the hours specified in this table.

2.2 Restrictions in Certain Areas

Streets with heavy traffic in the downtown area, streets with transit lines, streets that lead to Oracle Park, and streets containing bicycle routes all have special restrictions. Contractor is responsible for complying with these restrictions.

2.2.1 Area of Important Streets – Downtown (Appendix D, Map 1A)

No construction activity is allowed within the bounded area from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m., and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday to Friday. This does not include alleys, where work is allowed.

2.2.2 Restrictions for Moscone Convention Center Events (Appendix D, Map 2)

The streets around Moscone Convention Center are subject to restricted construction hours during major events at the Center. No construction activity is allowed one hour before to one hour after these events.

2.2.3 Ball Park Restrictions (Appendix D, Maps 3 and 4)

The streets around Oracle Park are subject to restricted construction hours during major events at the ball parks. No construction activity is allowed from two (2) hours before to two (2) hours after these events.

2.2.4 Holiday Moratorium

No construction work is allowed in the public right of way from the day after Thanksgiving to January 1, inclusive, during the hours of 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. on holiday moratorium protected blocks. On moratorium protected blocks all openings in the street and in the sidewalk must be closed by backfilling and paving or by plating over, providing safe and adequate passage for bicycles, vehicles and pedestrians. Work may be allowed between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. as long as the proper night noise permit is obtained.

A. Protected Streets - The following streets are considered holiday moratorium protected blocks:

- i. **Any Block Within the Area Shown in Figure 1:** This area is bounded by Pine Street, Taylor Street, Market Street, 8th Street, Folsom Street, Fremont Street, and Front Street inclusively and includes all streets. Alleys in this mapped area shall be evaluated as described in part ii below.

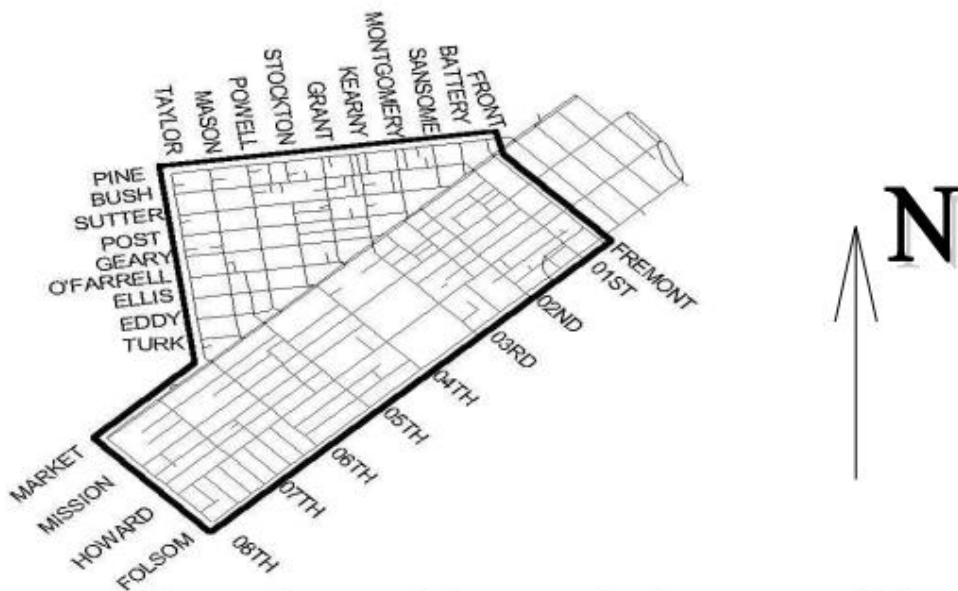


Figure 1: Streets where special construction hours are applied

- ii. **Any Business Block in the City:** A business block is any City block (including alleys, defined above) where at least 50 percent of the frontage is devoted to business. Frontage is defined as the measurement of the length of a building facing the subject street. Establishments in this category are retail stores, grocery stores, bars, restaurants, non-residence type hotels and other retail businesses as determined by the SFMTA. Gas stations, parking lots and garages, government and private offices, repair shops, wholesale businesses that are not open to the public and businesses which are exclusively manufacturing, construction, professional or financial services, while all important, are not considered holiday retail businesses for the purposes of the

holiday moratorium.

iii. Business Block Evaluation: If work is planned during the holiday moratorium on a block that appears to have 50 percent or more protected commercial frontage please contact SFMTA permit staff at TrafficPermits@sfmta.com and complete a “Holiday Moratorium Business Block Survey” form at the link below.

https://www.sfmta.com/sites/default/files/reports-and-documents/2021/10/holidaymoratoriumformnewformv1_1.pdf

SFMTA staff will make a determination and return a completed copy of the form to the contractor.

- If SFMTA can determine that the block(s) are not moratorium protected blocks then SFMTA will note this on form and work may continue.
- If the block is found to be under moratorium then the applicant may not work during holiday moratorium restricted times unless they are able to obtain a waiver in part B below.
- SFMTA may grant conditional approval for work to proceed under certain circumstances (see form). However if objection(s) to work during the moratorium is received by SFMTA the contractor shall halt work and will be required to seek holiday moratorium waivers from all businesses on the block(s) to continue work. See part B.

The contractor shall keep a copy of the form on site to show city staff (inspectors, engineers or enforcement personnel) that the SFMTA has determined that the block is not under moratorium.

Please note that these forms are only valid for the year in which they were submitted.

B. Requesting Waivers to the Moratorium: Applicants may request a moratorium waiver from affected businesses if the block is moratorium protected. Applicants who request a waiver must be prepared to detail the hours of operation of businesses and obtain written approval from property and business owners. Please contact the SFMTA prior to contacting the public about a moratorium waiver.

The contractor shall prepare a map of each block and a table listing businesses and their approvals and submit them along with copies of written approvals from the businesses and completed “Holiday Moratorium Business Block Survey” form for SFMTA to review. The contractor should use the City assessor map and the Excel files for this documentation. Links below:

Assessor Map: [Assessor Maps](#)

Moratorium Excel file: [Moratorium Worksheet](#)

2.2.5 Major Muni Routes (Unclog the Streets)

In order to facilitate traffic flow for Muni vehicles and for the general public, all construction activities affecting moving lanes (including tow-away zones) on any Major Muni Route (see table below) shall stop from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. Furthermore, all construction activities along any Major Muni Route that is on a business block (see Section 2.2.4.A) or along any Major Muni Route that is in the Area of Important Streets (see Appendix D, Map 1A), shall stop from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. This does not include alleys, where work is allowed.

The Contractor must become familiar with the routes of the coach lines operating within the work area. For further information on Muni routes or schedules, visit the SFMTA's website at www.sfmta.com or call SFMTA at 311.

Table 3: Major Muni Routes

Muni Line	Name
1	California
2	Clement
5	Fulton
9	San Bruno
10	Townsend
11X	Bayshore Express
12	Folsom/Pacific
14	Mission
19	Polk
21	Hayes
22	Fillmore
24	Divisadero
28	19 th Avenue
29	Sunset
30	Stockton
31	Balboa
38	Geary
41	Union
43	Masonic
44	O'Shaughnessy
45	Union-Stockton
47	Van Ness
48	Quintara
49	Van Ness-Mission
C	California Cable Car
PH	Powell-Hyde Cable Car
PM	Powell-Mason Cable Car
71	Haight-Noriega
F	Market
J	Church
K	Ingleside
L	Taraval
M	Ocean View
N	Judah
T	Third