The list of film activities below represents the most common permits issued and is not comprehensive. For any questions, please email TransportationSpecialEvent@austintexas.gov or call 512-974-6501.

COMMERCIAL FILMING
*Deadline – 3 Business Days with completed requirements*

**Right of Way Closures** – Filming activity closing, blocking, or impeding any portion of the right of way, such as sidewalks, parking lanes, streets, or alleys.
- Traffic control plan (TCP) is required
  - If an engineered TCP will be used, follow the [TCP Submittal Instructions](#)
- Letter of Intent from a Barricade Company is required.
- Approval from the Austin Police Department is required.
- Notification and Signoff Forms are required.

**Intermittent Traffic Control (ITC)** - Traffic controlled by law enforcement.
- The law enforcement official must not hold any one direction of any mode of travel for more than a 5-minute interval.
- Approval from the Austin Police Department is required.
- Notification and Signoff Forms are required.
- The map needs to reflect where the officers will be stationed.

**Parkland Activity** - Filming within City of Austin parks.
- Transportation and Public Works, Office of Special Events does not permit filming within City of Austin parks.
- A map of the City of Austin parks can be viewed [here](#).
- A permit from the [Parks and Recreation Department](#) may be necessary.

**Drones** - Filming performed using drone equipment.
- Transportation and Public Works, Office of Special Events does not permit drone filming.
- Approval from the Austin Police Department is required.
- Signoff from Austin Bergstrom International Airport may be necessary.

STUDENT FILMING
*Deadline – 2 Business Days with completed requirements*

Filming activity by a student in connection with a school’s filming curriculum.
- Certificate of Insurance is required; however, the school’s insurance policy will be acceptable.
- Approval from the Austin Police Department is required.
- Notification and Signoff Forms are required.
MOBILE FILMING

Deadline – 3 Business Days with completed requirements

B-Roll - Highly mobile filming activity.
- Crew and equipment cannot remain stationary for more than 15 minutes at a time.
- Approval from the Austin Police Department is required.
- Notification and Signoff Forms are not required.
- The map only needs to include four location points: the northernmost, southernmost, easternmost, and westernmost areas for the proposed filming route. Please refer to the B-Roll sample map linked.

Mobile Bubble - Filming from a vehicle, typically with other vehicles leading or following the active vehicle. No right of way closures will occur.
- Approval from the Austin Police Department is required.
- Notification and Signoff Forms are not required.
- The map needs to reflect the route that the vehicle(s) will travel.

Police Escort - Filming from a vehicle with law enforcement officials leading or following the active vehicle. No right of way, such as sidewalks, parking lanes, streets, or alley closures, will occur.
- Approval from the Austin Police Department is required.
- Notification and Signoff Forms are not required.
- The map must reflect the route the vehicle(s) will travel.