Columbus Commons Photography Policy (effective April 1, 2019)

If you have questions about these policies, please contact us at www.columbuscommons.org/contact.

A. Personal photography and videography
   a. We encourage the community to take personal photographs and videos at Columbus Commons. These photographs are for personal use only; they are not to be used for resale or commercial purposes as described in Section C – Commercial Photography.
   b. Patrons are also encouraged to share their photos on social media using #columbuscommons.
   c. Please note, if your photo shoot disturbs other park visitors, or involves extensive photography equipment and/or props and wardrobe, you may be asked to stop taking photos. Photography is prohibited during scheduled fitness classes unless granted permission in writing from Columbus Commons management.
   d. Access to the area around Columbus Bicentennial Pavilion (including the stage), landscaping and/or flowerbeds is prohibited. Additionally, scheduled events may prevent access to certain areas or the entirety of Columbus Commons.
   e. If you would like to schedule a specific time, please fill out this form and Columbus Commons management will contact you.

B. Professional photography and videography including but not limited to: weddings, engagement, senior pictures, other life events, and other portrait photography
   a. As a destination in Downtown Columbus, we are proud to host professional photo shoots. These photos are intended to serve the needs of the clients; they are not to be used for resale or commercial purposes as described in Section C – Commercial Photography.
   b. Photographers are also encouraged to share their photos on social media using #columbuscommons.
   c. Due to our event schedule, prior approval is needed for a professional photography shoot.
   d. Access to the area around Columbus Bicentennial Pavilion (including the stage), landscaping and/or flowerbeds is prohibited. Additionally, scheduled events may prevent access to certain areas of Columbus Commons.
   e. For approval and to schedule a specific time, please fill out this form and Columbus Commons management will contact you.
   f. There are no fees for professional photo shoots as described above unless they meet the criteria of Section C – Commercial Photography.
   g. The Columbus Commons carousel is also available for hourly rental for photo shoots at a rate of $100/hr. We encourage you to consider this carousel rental if you want to utilize the carousel for your photo shoot to ensure other carousel patrons are not disturbed.
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C. Commercial photography and videography
   a. A commercial shoot application must be completed prior to the shoot.
   b. Commercial photography or video includes, but is not limited to, images for use in/as:
      display advertising, television commercials, feature films, music videos, retail products,
      brochures, model portfolios and other industrial, promotional or advertising projects.
   c. If shoot approval has been granted, photographer must sign an agreement in advance
      and a Certificate of Insurance indicating liability coverage in the amount of
      $1,000,000, naming Columbus Downtown Development Corporation, Capitol South
      Community Urban Redevelopment Corporation, and City of Columbus as additional
      insured must be presented no later than two weeks before photography/filming is to
      take place.
   d. Commercial shoots are subject to a minimum base location fee of $100 per hour
      depending on the timeframe and nature of the shoot.
   e. All desired shoot locations must be discussed and approved in advance, so as not to
      conflict with any events or maintenance.
   f. The Columbus Commons carousel is also available for hourly rental for photo shoots at a
      rate of $100/hr. We encourage you to consider this carousel rental if you want to utilize
      the carousel for your photo shoot to ensure other carousel patrons are not disturbed.

D. Drone photography and videography
   a. Drone flight for any reason, including photography and videography is prohibited over
      Columbus Commons property, including the Columbus Commons parking garage.