



TOWN OF FRANKLIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Fire Hydrant Painting Event Rules

The design should be appropriate for a public space and should not be political in nature, or be offensive in any way. Potential design themes include:

- Designs inspired by the Historic Places, People and Events in Franklin;
- Designs with a whimsical or humorous twist that will make viewers smile;
- Context-sensitive designs that would uniquely connect a particular fire hydrant with its immediate surroundings;
- Colorful, abstract designs.

The public and private space immediately around the fire hydrant should be kept clean and neat when not directly working on the fire hydrant. Please respect the property.

Registration is open until August 1, 2025. Proposed designs must be submitted for approval during this period, along with a completed application. Applicants will be notified by August 6, 2025.

Painting of fire hydrants can begin upon notification of your assigned hydrant and must be completed by Sept. 17, 2025.

Paint only on the assigned fire hydrant. The **caps must be able to open** after the paint dries. You must provide your own exterior paint or sealant. Nothing can be attached to the fire hydrant.

If words are included in your design, all words must be approved as a part of the design.

You may use stencils, air brush with masking tape, or freehand your design.

You must apply the design submitted in this application. If you desire to make changes, you must seek approval from the Town of Franklin prior to changing your design.

If rules are not followed your hydrant will be painted over.

Judging will take place on the DPW Facebook page between September 22 and September 26, 2025. The picture with the most likes received on the Facebook post will be declared a winner in the following categories: Under the age of 12; 12 to 17; 18 & over; judges' choice.

Any questions should be addressed to: Doug Martin, Town of Franklin Water & Sewer Superintendent at 508-553-5500 or domartin@franklinma.gov.

Town of Franklin will be basing their decision to approve applications for painting based on creativity, originality, imagination, and appropriateness. All decisions on applications are final.

By participating in the Fire Hydrant Design Event you acknowledge that the Town of Franklin and its affiliates are not responsible in any way for any injury or property damage directly or indirectly associated with this event.

By signing you acknowledge that participants are aware of all rules, guidelines and criteria associated with this event.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Town of Franklin DPW

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. Is there a fee to participate?

A. No

Q. Is there a minimum age to participate?

A. No, youth are encouraged to participate under the supervision of an adult.

Q. Do I have to be an artist to participate?

A. No, people of all skill levels are encouraged to participate.

Q. Can a group, club, organization or business participate?

A. Yes, Individuals, groups, organizations, businesses, etc. located in the Town of Franklin are encouraged to participate.

Q. Can I use my own paint?

A. Yes, you must provide your own exterior paint or sealant.

Q. Do I need to live in the Town of Franklin to participate?

A. Yes, this event will be open to Franklin residents or businesses who wish to participate.

Q. Can I change the design after it is submitted?

A. Any changes must have written approval from the Town of Franklin.

Q. Can I select the fire hydrant I want to paint?

A. You can request a preference in the application, based on the location of a hydrant, but a hydrant will be assigned to you based on availability.

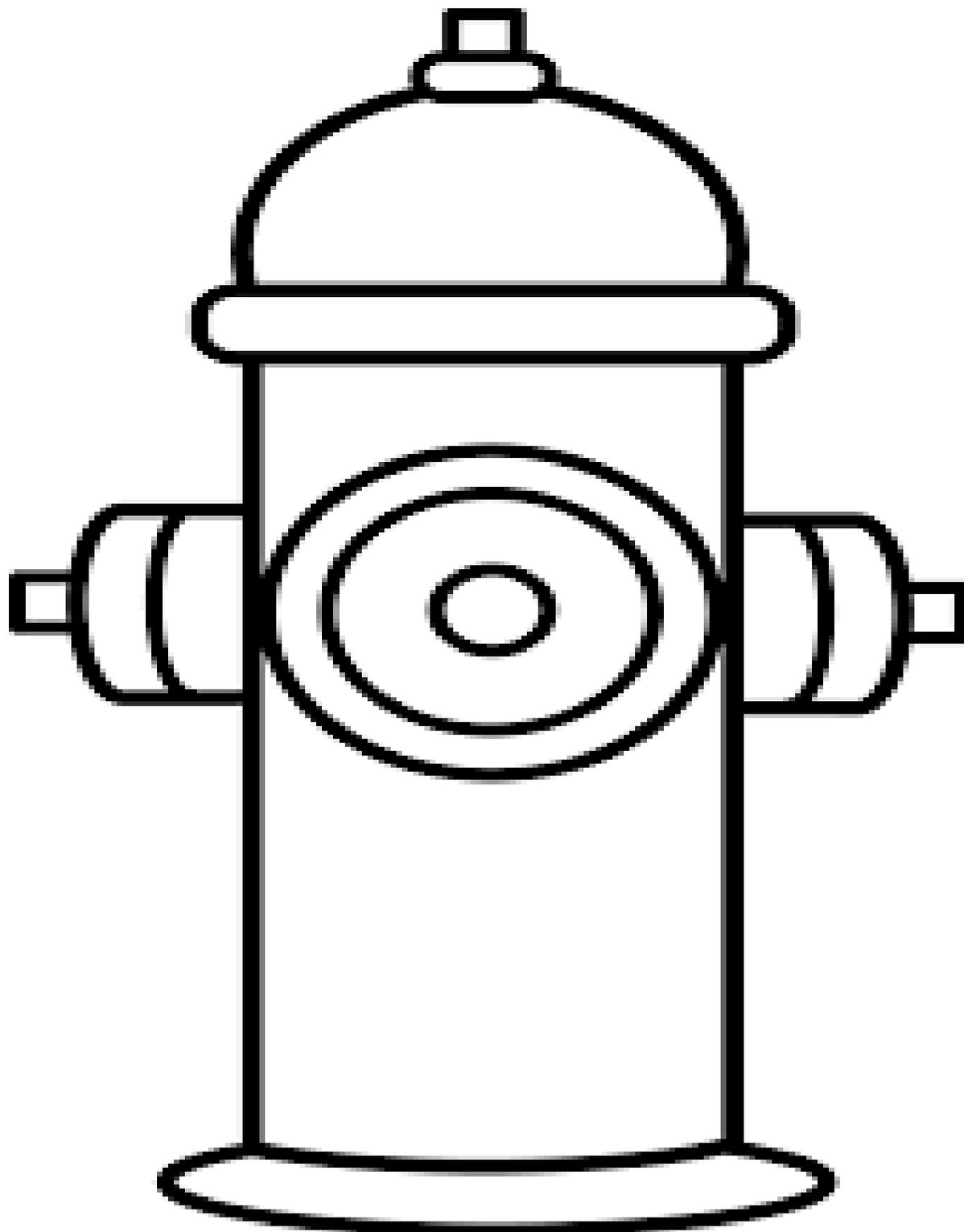
Q. Can I paint more than one fire hydrant?

A. Yes, but you must submit a separate application for each hydrant. A second hydrant will be assigned based upon availability after all first round applications have been processed.

Q. Can I paint my business logo on the fire hydrant?

A. No. There can be no advertising on the fire hydrant.

2025 Franklin Fire Hydrant Painting Event
DESIGN PROPOSAL (FRONT VIEW)



2025 Franklin Fire Hydrant Painting Event
DESIGN PROPOSAL (BACK VIEW)

