

however, it need not “adhere to the procedural requirements set forth in *Freedman*.”<sup>1429</sup> These requirements include that the “burden of proving that the film [or other speech] is unprotected expression must rest on the censor,” and that the censor must, “within a specified brief period, either issue a license or go to court to restrain showing the film. Any restraint imposed in advance of a final judicial determination on the merits must similarly be limited to preservation of the status quo for the shortest fixed period compatible with sound judicial resolution.”<sup>1430</sup>

A corollary to the rule forbidding regulation based on content is the principle—a merging of free expression and equal protection standards—that government may not discriminate between different kinds of messages in affording access.<sup>1431</sup> In order to ensure against covert forms of discrimination against expression and between different kinds of content, the Court has insisted that licensing systems be constructed as free as possible of the opportunity for arbitrary administration.<sup>1432</sup> The Court has also applied its general

<sup>1429</sup> 534 U.S. at 322, citing *Freedman v. Maryland*, 380 U.S. 51 (1965). See *National Socialist Party v. Village of Skokie*, 432 U.S. 43 (1977).

<sup>1430</sup> *Freedman v. Maryland*, 380 U.S. 51, 58–59 (1965).

<sup>1431</sup> *Police Dep’t of Chicago v. Mosle*, 408 U.S. 92 (1972) (ordinance void that barred all picketing around school building except labor picketing); *Carey v. Brown*, 447 U.S. 455 (1980) (same); *Widmar v. Vincent*, 454 U.S. 263 (1981) (striking down college rule permitting access to all student organizations except religious groups); *Niemotko v. Maryland*, 340 U.S. 268 (1951) (striking down denial of permission to use parks for some groups but not for others); *R.A.V. v. City of St. Paul*, 505 U.S. 377 (1992) (striking down ordinance that prohibited symbols, such as burning crosses, that constituted fighting words that insult on the basis of some factors, such as race, but not on the basis of other factors). These principles apply only to the traditional public forum and to the governmentally created “limited public forum.” Government may, without creating a limited public forum, place “reasonable” restrictions on access to nonpublic areas. See, e.g., *Perry Educ. Ass’n v. Perry Local Educators’ Ass’n*, 460 U.S. 37, 48 (1983) (use of school mail system); and *Cornelius v. NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund*, 473 U.S. 788 (1985) (charitable solicitation of federal employees at workplace). See also *Lehman v. City of Shaker Heights*, 418 U.S. 298 (1974) (city may sell commercial advertising space on the walls of its rapid transit cars but refuse to sell political advertising space); *Capitol Square Review Bd. v. Pinette*, 515 U.S. 753 (1995) (denial of permission to Ku Klux Klan, allegedly in order to avoid Establishment Clause violation, to place a cross in plaza on grounds of state capitol); *Rosenberger v. University of Virginia*, 515 U.S. 819 (1995) (University’s subsidy for printing costs of student publications, available for student “news, information, opinion, entertainment, or academic communications,” could not be withheld because of the religious content of a student publication); *Lamb’s Chapel v. Center Moriches School Dist.*, 508 U.S. 384 (1993) (school district rule prohibiting after-hours use of school property for showing of a film presenting a religious perspective on child-rearing and family values, but allowing after-hours use for non-religious social, civic, and recreational purposes).

<sup>1432</sup> E.g., *Hague v. CIO*, 307 U.S. 496, 516 (1939); *Schneider v. Town of Irvington*, 308 U.S. 147, 164 (1939); *Cox v. New Hampshire*, 312 U.S. 569 (1941); *Poulos v. New Hampshire*, 345 U.S. 395 (1953); *Staub v. City of Baxley*, 355 U.S. 313, 321–25 (1958); *Cox v. Louisiana*, 379 U.S. 536, 555–58 (1965); *Shuttlesworth v. City of Bir-*