

BUSINESS REGULATIONS

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Article 10 Amusement Devices

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§10-1001 AMUSEMENT DEVICES; DEFINITIONS. The term "coin operated amusement device" as used herein means any amusement machine or device operated by means of the insertion of a coin, token, or similar object, for the purpose of amusement or skill and for the playing of which a fee is charged. The term does not include vending machines in which are not incorporated gaming or amusement features, nor does the term include any coin-operated mechanical musical devices.

Operator: The term "operator" as used herein is hereby defined to be any person, firm, corporation, partnership or association who sets up for operation by another, any device as herein defined, whether such setting up for operation, leasing or distributing be for a fixed charge or rental, or on the basis of a division of the income derived from such device, or otherwise.

Proprietor: A "proprietor" is hereby defined to be any person, firm, corporation, partnership, association or club who, as the owner, lessee, or proprietor has under his or its control any establishment, place or premises in or at which such device is placed or kept for use or play, or on exhibition for the purpose of use or play.

§10-1002 AMUSEMENT DEVICES; LICENSE REQUIRED. No person, firm or corporation shall engage in the business of an operator or proprietor of coin-operated amusement devices as the terms are herein defined, without first having obtained the proper license therefore.

§10-1003 AMUSEMENT DEVICES; LICENSE FEE. The license fee of each operator and proprietor as hereto defined shall be ten (\$10.00) dollars per year for each coin-operated amusement device set up for operation, used, played or exhibited for use or play. All license fees shall be payable annually in advance. In no case shall any portion of said license fee be refunded to the licensee.

§10-1004 AMUSEMENT DEVICES; APPLICATION FOR LICENSE-NONTRANSFERABLE. Application for license hereunder shall be filed in writing with the City Clerk, on a form to be provided by the City, and shall specify:

1. The name and address of the applicant, and if a firm, corporation, partnership or association, the principal officers thereof and their addresses;
2. The address of the premises where the licensed device or devices are to be operated, together with the character of the business as carried on at such place;
3. The trade name and general description of the device or devices to be licensed, the name of the manufacturer and the serial number and if the applicant is a proprietor, the number of devices to be licensed;
4. The name and address of the operator of the device or devices, if other than the proprietor.

The proper license fee shall accompany such application. Application for license hereunder shall be first referred by the City Clerk to the Mayor and Council who shall make or cause to be made such investigation as they deem necessary. If the application is approved by the Mayor and Council, the license shall be issued by the Clerk, and the Clerk shall remit the fee to the City Treasurer. If the license is denied, the fee shall be returned to the applicant. All licenses under this Article shall expire on July 1 following their issuance. The license shall be posted in a conspicuous place in the establishment of the licensee. Such license shall be non-assignable and non-transferable, and in the case of a proprietor shall apply only to the premises for which such license is if issued.

§10-1005 AMUSEMENT DEVICES; INCREASING NUMBER OF DEVICES. In case a proprietor licensed under the provisions of this Article desires, after the expiration of any portion of any license year, to increase the number of devices to be used or played, or exhibited for use or play in his establishment, he shall surrender his license to the City Clerk who shall issue a new license showing the number of devices licensed thereunder, upon payment of the proper license fee therefor.

§10-1006 AMUSEMENT DEVICES; EVIDENCE OF OWNERSHIP TO BE FILED WITH CLERK. Any proprietor who owns such device or devices at the time this Article becomes effective shall file with the City Clerk evidence of such ownership prior to the issuance of a license; and any proprietor purchasing a device or devices after the effective date of this Article shall file with the City Clerk evidence of ownership thereof before exhibiting or placing said device or devices for use or play.