

## Chapter 5.20

### JUNK AND MOTOR VEHICLE SALVAGE

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#### 5.20.010 Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter:

“Junk dealer” means any person engaged in the business of collecting, peddling, dealing in or storage of waste paper, rags, old metals or other material commonly known as junk.

“Motor vehicle salvage business” means the business of dealing in, breaking up or storing dismantled or salvaged motor vehicles. (Prior code § 12.03(1))

#### 5.20.020 License required.

A. No person shall engage in a business as a junk dealer, store junk or engage in the motor vehicle salvage business or store junked automobiles in the town without first having obtained a license from the town board to carry on such business.

B. Application for license shall be made on forms to be furnished by the town clerk and shall state the name of the applicant, the location of his place of business and of his shop or yard, the quantity and manner of storage to be established and maintained. Such application shall also bear a sketch or map showing the proposed location, the distance from such location to the nearest corporate limits of any city or village and the distance from such location to the nearest state trunk or federal highway located in the area together with such

additional information as the town board shall require. (Prior code § 12.03(2))

#### 5.02.030 Issuance of license.

Upon being satisfied that the proposed junk yard or motor vehicle salvage yard will be established and maintained in accordance with the provisions of the state statutes and the regulations and standards established herein, the town board shall issue a license to operate such business for a period of one year. The license shall be signed by the town chairman and the town clerk and shall specify the quantity and manner of storing junk or junked automobiles, or parts thereof, or both, as the case may be. Such license, however, shall be issued only upon the payment to the town clerk by the applicant of the annual license fee in Section 5.04.010. (Prior code § 12.03(3))

#### 5.02.040 Locations.

No accumulation of junk, no operation of the business of junk dealer, no storage of salvaged motor vehicles or parts thereof, no operation of the motor vehicle salvage business shall be allowed within four miles outside of the corporate limits of the town, or within seven hundred fifty (750) feet from the centerline of any state trunk or federal highway. (Editorially amended during 2001 codification: prior code § 12.03(4))

#### 5.20.050 Regulations.

Every premise or enclosure, except a completely enclosed building, used in the conduct of the business proposed to be licensed hereunder which abuts on or faces a residential district shall be enclosed by a tight fence or wall not less than six feet nor more than eight feet in height, erected in such manner as to obstruct the premises from the public view. In all other cases, such premises or enclosure shall have a substantial fence not less than eight feet high along the highway line. Such fence or wall

shall be maintained by the licensee at all times in good condition. If such junk yard is located in an area where the same is not exposed to public view, the town board shall have the right of waiving these requirements. (Prior code § 12.03(5))

**5.20.060 Exemptions.**

Any person legally engaged at the time of the adoption of this chapter in the accumulating or storing and leaving accumulated or stored junk or junked automobiles, or parts thereof, within four miles outside the corporate limits of the town, or within seven hundred fifty (750) feet of the center line of any state trunk or federal highway in the town, may, upon application to the town showing such facts, be granted a license for such place for the accumulation or storage or the maintaining of the businesses herein licensed, notwithstanding the provisions hereof, provided that such applicant complies with all rules and regulations in this chapter. (Editorially amended during 2001 codification: prior code § 12.03(6))