Chapter 134

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town of Plaistow as indicated in article histories. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Flea markets — See Ch. 77. Sales — See Ch. 152. Secondhand dealers and pawnbrokers — See Ch. 157.

ARTICLE I

Solicitation for Charitable Events [Adopted 2-1-1979 by the Board of Selectmen; amended 8-13-1985]

§ 134-1. Approval required.

Approval by the Board of Selectmen is required for the soliciting of funds for charitable purposes and for the sale of tags, flowers, or other objects sold for charitable purposes in accordance with RSA 31:91.

§ 134-2. Application for approval.

Applications must be in writing and signed by an officer of the organization indicating present address. Dates of the solicitation must be specified as well as the names of the individual solicitors.

§ 134-3. Violations and penalties.

Violations of this regulation may be punishable by a fine of \$25 per day for each day of violation.

ARTICLE II

Hawkers, Peddlers and Vendors [Adopted 5-20-1991 by the Board of Selectmen]

§ 134-4. Registration required.

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in business as an itinerant vendor, hawker, peddler or other person who sells, offers to sell or takes orders from temporary or transport sales locations within a town, or who goes from town to town or place to place within a town for that purpose, or calls at residences without the previous consent of the occupant for the purpose of soliciting orders, sales, subscriptions, or business of any kind, or seeking for information or donations, without first having registered at the Police Department. The registrant shall give his complete identification, his signature, the name of his employer, the nature of the products or services in which he is interested, the names of the manufacturers of such products or of the organization which he is representing, and the proposed method of operation in the town on an application form issued by the town. Application will be acted upon in or within five working days of receipt. Licenses granted under this article shall be in addition to licenses granted by the state under RSA 320 and 321.

§ 134-5. Registration fee.

Each registrant shall pay to the Police Department a registration fee of \$30 for the period expiring on the same date as the applicable license issued under RSA 320 and 321. This shall be in addition to fees under RSA 321:13.

§ 134-6. Restrictions.

A certificate will not issue if a method of operation is conducted on private property, unless the property owner issues permission to the applicant in writing and made part of the application. No certificate will issue for any activity within the right-of-way of any state highway within the town, unless the applicant satisfies all traffic safety considerations as defined by the Chief of Police. Activities permitted by this article shall only be conducted between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

§ 134-7. Registration certificate.

- A. Each applicant who shows evidence of good character and who pays the fee provided for herein shall be furnished a certificate indicating that he or she has registered and showing the dates covered by such requirements.
- B. Each person shall at all times while soliciting or canvassing in the town carry upon his person the registration certificate, and the same shall be exhibited by such registrant whenever he is required to do so by any police officer or by any person solicited.

§ 134-8. Exceptions.

The provisions of this article shall not apply to officers or employees of the town, county, state or federal government, or any subdivision thereof, when on official business.

§ 134-9. Revocation of registration.

Any such registration may be revoked by the Board of Selectmen, the Chief of Police, or Code Enforcement Officer because of any violation by the registrant of this article or of any other ordinance of the town or of any state or federal law, or whenever the registrant shall cease to possess the qualifications and character required in this article for the original registration.

§ 134-10. Violations and penalties.

Whomever violates the provisions of this article shall be guilty of a violation, unless otherwise addressed by state statute.