

Chapter 57

**VEHICLES FOR HIRE**

**Art. I. In General, §§ 57-1–57-30**

**Art. II. Taxicabs, §§ 57-31–57-39**

**ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL**

**Secs. 57-1–57-30. Reserved.**

**ARTICLE II. TAXICABS\***

**Sec. 57-31. Definitions.**

The word “person” shall mean and include any individual, person, firm, association or corporation. The words “passenger motor vehicle for hire” and the word “taxicab” shall mean and include any motor vehicle used for transportation of passengers for hire with seating capacity of not to exceed seven (7) passengers.

(Ord. No. 72, § 65, 4-7-81)

**Sec. 57-32. License—Majority vote.**

Such application for license shall be granted or denied by a majority vote of the members elect of the village council at any regular or special meeting thereof.

(Ord. No. 72, § 71, 4-7-81)

**Sec. 57-33. Same—Applications.**

Applications for license to operate a taxicab on the streets of said village shall be made to the council of said village; said application shall be in writing and shall state the applicant’s age, name, residence, address, previous address, the period of time during which applicant has been engaged in the taxicab business and the place of such business, the kind, make and body style of the taxicab he proposes to operate with its seating capacity and year of manufacture and its mileage. Such application shall state the number, places, dates and offenses, if any, for which the applicant has been convicted or assessed a fine for the violation of any traffic violations, as well as any judgments recovered against applicant by reason of his ownership or operation of a motor vehicle, the court in which such judgments were rendered, the amounts thereof, and whether the same have been paid.

(Ord. No. 72, § 67, 4-7-81)

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\*Cross reference—Licenses and insurance, Ch. 49, Art. III.

**Sec. 57-34. Insurance.**

Application for license shall be accompanied by proof, consisting of a prepaid insurance policy, of insurance coverage on each taxicab proposed to be licensed, issued by a company authorized to do business in the State of Michigan, indemnifying the applicant in the sum of at least ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) for injury or death to one individual and twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) for injury or death to more than one individual, and at least five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) property damage in any one accident by reason of the operation of such taxicab. The village council shall pass upon such insurance and may accept or reject the same. No license shall issue hereunder until such insurance has been so approved. Such insurance policy shall contain a clause obligating the issuing company to give to the village clerk at least ten (10) day's written notice before cancellation thereof. The village council may revoke any license issued hereunder upon cancellation of such insurance.

(Ord. No. 72, § 69, 4-7-81)

**Sec. 57-35. Age limit.**

No license shall be issued hereunder to any person under the age of eighteen (18) years.

(Ord. No. 72, § 70, 4-7-81)

**Sec. 57-36. License required.**

No person shall hereafter operate in any manner a taxicab on the streets of said village without first obtaining a license therefor as herein provided. No such license shall be issued hereafter unless the village council shall, by resolution, declare that public convenience and necessity require the proposed taxicab service for which such application for license is made, and unless said council shall issue its certificate to that effect.

(Ord. No. 72, § 66, 4-7-81)

**Sec. 57-37. Revocation of license.**

Such license may, at the discretion of a majority of the members elect of the village council, be revoked at any regular or special meeting thereof, no proof that the licensee has violated any ordinance or law governing the operation of motor vehicles or in the event that the licensee has operated his licensed taxicab while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or beverage.

(Ord. No. 72, § 72, 4-7-81)

**Cross reference**—Operating under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances, § 49-34.

**Sec. 57-38. Fee.**

A fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) shall accompany such application for license for each taxicab for which license is applied, at the time of filing application. Applications shall be filed with the village clerk. If license is denied, such fee shall be returned to the applicant forthwith.

Licenses shall be issued for one year at a time and upon reapplication for license, the same fee or fees shall be tendered as herein provided.

(Ord. No. 72, § 68, 4-7-81)

**Sec. 57-39. Penalty.**

Any person violating any of the provisions of this article, upon conviction thereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not to exceed one hundred dollars and cost of prosecution, or imprisoned in the Huron county jail for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the court.

(Ord. No. 72, § 73, 4-7-81)

