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CITY OF SAINT PAUL

Solid Waste Licensing

Chapter 357 – Solid Waste



Solid Waste

Chapter 373: Solid Waste

License required. No person shall collect, transport, transfer, treat, handle, salvage, utilize, compact, shred, compost, mill, bale, process or dispose of, or any combination thereof, any mixed municipal solid waste, construction debris, compostable materials or recyclable materials in Saint Paul without a license issued pursuant to the provisions contained in this chapter.

Exceptions: Persons engaged in recycling activities and licensed under Chapter 408, motor vehicle salvage dealers under Chapter 422 or scrap and metal processors under Chapter 420, or which are hereafter licensed under any other provisions of the Legislative Code regulating recycling activities, are exempt from the license requirements contained in this chapter.



Five Different Licenses

- Solid Waste Hauler and Vehicle
- Solid Waste Hauler (each additional Vehicle)
- Solid Waste Transfer Station
- Recycling Collection Center
- Recycling Processing Center

All are Class R License Types



Number of Active Licenses

- Solid Waste Hauler	38	(26% - Saint Paul Location)
- Solid Waste Transfer Station	5	
- Recycling Collection Center	2	
- Recycling Processing Center	11	



Chapter 373: Solid Waste – General Requirements

- Insurance
- License to be displayed (site, facility, and equipment)
- Schedule of charges (on record)
- Operation shall be carried on in a manner that does not create excessive noise, dust, or odors
- Adequate fire protection and rodent control
- Permitted hours of operation



General Requirements (continued)

- Vehicles or containers used for the solid waste shall be:
 - Durable, rust-resistant, leak-proof, and easily cleanable with tight-fitting covers of a type approved by public works
 - Properly cleaned to prevent a nuisance or insect breeding
 - Loaded and moved so contents will not fall, spill or leak from and shall be covered to prevent blowing of material
(Where spillage does occur for any reason, the material spilled shall be picked up immediately by the collector or transporter and returned to the vehicle or container and the area properly cleaned up.)



Additional General Requirements

- Solid Waste Processing Facilities
 - Shall be carried on in facilities designed for the purpose and approved by Ramsey County, the Metropolitan Council and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, as required...
 - Adequate equipment and facilities shall be provided to clean the loading, unloading, dumping, storage and handling areas, and it is required that the entire facility be maintained in a sanitary condition at all times



Additional General Requirements (continued)

- Solid Waste Processing Facilities
 - Mixed municipal solid waste which is to be finally disposed of at a resource recovery or disposal facility shall be removed promptly to an approved site
 - All mixed municipal solid waste and/or separate waste streams involved in the operation of the premise shall be confined to approved facilities and areas for dumping, storage and handling. (Often required to be enclosed)



Class R Licenses

Licenses and permits that can be ***issued by the Director without Council approval if no conditions are imposed*** upon the license and which ***do not require a hearing if there is an objection.***

Examples:

Business Licenses	Fee	Legislative Code
Amusement Rides — Annual	\$85.00	317
Animal Day Care (Commercial)	\$83.00	348
Recycling Processing Center	\$958.00	408
Second-Hand Dealer	\$85.00	355
Short-Term Rental Platform	\$11,181.00	379
Tobacco Products Shop/Tobacco Shop	\$535.00	324



Class N Licenses

Licenses that can only be ***approved or denied by the Council***. These licenses require neighborhood notification and Hearing if there are objections.

Will ***minimally add 30 days*** to application reviews/approvals.

Examples:

Business Licenses	Fee	Legislative Code
Auto Body Repair Shop/Painting Shop	\$507.00	423
Entertainment (A, B, and C)	\$278 \$672 \$3,191	411
Gambling Location	\$84.00	225
Gas Station	\$154.00	424
Liquor Off Sale	\$1,500.00	409
Liquor On Sale—181-290 Seats	\$6,360.00	409

Sec. 310.04. - Revocation; suspension; adverse actions; imposition of conditions.

(a) Council may take adverse action. The council is authorized to take adverse action, as defined in section 310.01 above, against any or all licenses or permits, licensee or applicant for a license, as provided in and by these chapters.

Sec. 310.04. - Revocation; suspension; adverse actions; imposition of conditions.

(b) Basis for action. Such adverse action may be based on one (1) or more of the following reasons, which are in addition to any other reason specifically provided by law or in these chapters:

(1) The license or permit was procured by misrepresentation of material facts, fraud, deceit or bad faith.

(2) The applicant or one acting in his or her behalf made oral or written misstatements or misrepresentations of material facts in or accompanying the application.

Basis (continued)

(3) The license was issued in violation of any of the provisions of the zoning code, or the premises which are licensed or which are to be licensed do not comply with applicable health, housing, fire, zoning and building codes and regulations.

(4) The license or permit was issued in violation of law, without authority, or under a material mistake of fact.

(5) The licensee or applicant has failed to comply with any condition set forth in the license, or set forth in the resolution granting or renewing the license.

Basis (continued)

- (6) a. The licensee or applicant has violated, or performed any act which is a violation of, any of the provisions of these chapters or of any statute, ordinance or regulation reasonably related to the licensed activity, regardless of whether criminal charges have or have not been brought in connection therewith;*
- b. The licensee or applicant has been convicted of a crime that may disqualify said applicant from holding the license in question; or*
- c. The licensee or applicant has engaged in or permitted a pattern or practice of conduct of failure to comply with laws reasonably related to the licensed activity or from which an inference of lack of fitness or good character may be drawn.*

Basis (continued)

(7) The activities of the licensee in the licensed activity created or have created a serious danger to the public health, safety or welfare, or the licensee performs or has performed his or her work or activity in an unsafe manner.

(8) The licensed business, or the way in which such business is operated, maintains or permits conditions that unreasonably annoy, injure or endanger the safety, health, morals, comfort or repose of any considerable number of members of the public.

(9) Failure to keep sidewalks or pedestrian ways reasonably free of snow and ice as required under chapter 114 of the Saint Paul Legislative Code.

Basis (continued)

(10) The licensee or applicant has shown by past misconduct or unfair acts or dealings: physical abuse, assaults or violent actions done to others, including, but not limited to, actions meeting the definition of ... [various criminal statutes]... or by the abuse of alcohol or other drugs, that such licensee or applicant is not a person of good moral character or fitness required to engage in a licensed activity, business...

(11) The licensee or applicant has materially changed or permitted a material change in the design, construction or configuration of the licensed premises without the prior [City] approval...

Basis (continued)

(12) The licensee or applicant has violated section 294.01 of the Legislative Code, or has made or attempted to make a prohibited ex parte contact with a council member as provided in section 310.03 (c-2) of the Legislative Code.

(13) The licensee violated the law or any license condition and that violation is related to a death or great bodily harm, as defined in Minn. Stats. § 609.02, subd. 8, in or near the establishment.



Summary - Solid Waste Hauling Requirements in MN

Requirement	Who Issues	Applies To
Business Registration	MN Sec. of State	All haulers
Liability Insurance	Local/City	All haulers
Solid Waste Hauler License	City	Within city limits
Regional MSW Hauler License	Metro Counties	7-county metro
County Operating Licenses	County	County hauler regulation
MPCA Reporting	MPCA	All haulers/facilities
MPCA Facility Permits	MPCA	Facilities hauling/processing



Class R vs Class N

- Business licensing is an effective regulatory tool to ensure a licensee effectively and appropriately manages their business to ensure public safety and neighborhood livability.
- Class N Type Licenses are focused on those types of businesses in which the management of the business has the greatest impact on communities.

Questions



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