

ARTICLE 74

JUNK DEALERS

Section 1 Licensing

The Selectmen shall license suitable persons to be dealers in and keepers of shops for the purchase, sale, and barter of junk, old metal and second-hand articles. No person shall be a dealer in or keeper of such a shop without a license.

A copy of this by-law will be provided to each licensee at the time of licensing or renewal.

After completion of the licensing/renewal process the Board of Selectman shall forward a list to the police of department of all licenses in good standing.

Section 2 Inflammable Materials

No person shall use any building, enclosure or other structure for the storage, sale or keeping of rags, waste paper, stock or other inflammable material without a written license therefor from the Selectmen.

Section 3 Requirements of Licensees

Every keeper of a shop for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals, or second-hand articles, within the limits of the Town, shall keep a record in the form prescribed by the police department, on which shall be written, at the time of every purchase of any such article, a description thereof, the name, age and residence of the person from whom, and the day and hour when, such purchase was made. No article shall be accepted without a showing of positive photo identification by the person offering the article for sale to the shop keeper. The shop keeper's record shall at all times be open to the inspection of the Selectmen, members of the police department and any other person authorized by the Board of Selectmen to make such inspection.

A copy of the weekly record shall be forwarded to the police department operations division at the end of each week, and any article taken into possession by the shop keeper shall be held on premises for thirty (30) days before resale.

Section 4 Fines

Operating as a dealer in or keeper of a shop for the purchase, sale, and/or barter of junk, old metal and second-hand articles without this license shall be punishable by a fine as established by Massachusetts General Law Chapter 140, Section 55.

Violations of the provisions of Section 2 or Section 3 of this by-law shall be punishable by a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), and each transaction in violation shall constitute a separate offense.