

DEALERS IN JUNK, OLD METALS
AND SECOND HAND ARTICLES

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Section 1. Every person keeping a shop for the purchase, sale or barter of junk, old metals or second-hand articles, and every person collecting, by purchase or otherwise, junk old metals or second-hand articles from place to place must be licensed by the City Council, whether such collector is engaged in business in his own behalf or employed by another.

Section 2. Every keeper of a shop so licensed shall put in some suitable and conspicuous place on his shop, a sign having his name and occupation legibly inscribed thereon in large letters. Every such shop and all articles of merchandise therein, and any place, vehicle or receptacle used for the collection or keeping of junk, old metals, or second-hand articles, may be examined at any time by the City Council and members of the Police Department.

Section 3. Every vehicle used in the exercise of the business of any person licensed as above, shall have placed upon the outside and upon each side the number of the license and name of the owner thereof, in plain, legible figures and letters, of not less than three inches in size, and so that the same may be distinctly seen and read. Each person so licensed, for the purchase of junk or old metals, except gold or silver, shall wear a badge on his hat or cap with the number of the license of the dealer thereon in brass or plated figures of not less than one inch in size, and so placed that the number may be distinctly seen and read.

Section 4. Every person licensed as a keeper of a shop under this chapter shall keep a book in which shall be written in English, at the time of every receipt of purchase, a description of the article purchased, the name, age and residence of the person from whom and the day and hour when such purchase was made. Such book shall at all times be open to the inspection of the City Council and members of the Police Department.

Section 5. No person, licensed as aforesaid, shall, directly or indirectly, either purchase or receive by way of barter or exchange any of the articles aforesaid of any minor, and no article purchased or received shall be sold until a period of at least one week from the date of the purchase or receipt of the same shall have elapsed, and none of the articles aforesaid shall be purchased or received between the hours of 6 P.M. and 6 A.M., nor upon any legal holidays. Every person licensed under this chapter shall be responsible for all persons employed by him in the business, and any violation of this ordinance or of the terms of the license by any employee of said dealer, or by any person upon the licensed premises, shall be construed to be a violation of this ordinance or of the license by the dealer.

Section 6. The City Council shall have power at all times to revoke any licenses granted under this ordinance. And all such licenses shall, unless revoked, continue in force until the first day of May next after the date thereof.

Section 7. Licenses under this ordinance shall be granted only to bona fide residents of this city of Lynn for at least six months prior to application, and all licenses thus granted shall contain a clause stipulating that the person thus licensed agrees to abide by and be subject to all the provisions of this ordinance or any ordinance which may be adopted by the City Council relating to the sale of junk, old metals and second-hand articles.

Section 8. All the provisions of this ordinance shall be incorporated into each license granted under it. For every license so granted to the keeper of a shop there shall be paid to the city clerk the sum of twenty-five dollars for the use of the city, and for every license granted to a collector of junk, there shall be paid the city clerk the sum of ten dollars for the use of the city, except as is provided in Section 9 hereof.

Section 9. All persons who buy or sell second-hand books or furniture, but do not buy or sell junk or old metals, shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter. Every person keeping a shop for purchase, sale or barter of old gold or silver or of second-hand articles other than junk, books, or furniture, must be licensed by the City Council under the provisions of this chapter, so far as the same are applicable. No such gold or silver, or second-hand articles, other than junk, books or furniture, purchased or received by any such person, shall be sold, or otherwise disposed of, nor its form nor identity be changed until at least two weeks from the date of its purchase or receipt have elapsed. In addition to the requirements of Section 4 herein, every person so licensed shall report all transactions under this section to the chief of police daily. For every license granted under this section there shall be paid to the city clerk five dollars for the use of the city, but such license shall not authorize the licensee to purchase, sell or barter junk or old metals other than gold and silver.

Section 10. Whoever not being so licensed keeps such shop or is such dealer or junk collector in said city, or offends against any of the provisions of this chapter shall forfeit not more than twenty dollars for each offence.

REGULATING PREMISES OCCUPIED AND USED BY
HOLDERS OF MOTOR VEHICLE JUNK LICENSES

Section 1. Premises used by licensees within class 3 of section 58 of Chapter 140 of the General Laws, commonly known as motor vehicle junk licenses, shall be enclosed, on all sides, by a tight board fence or fences, of uniform height on all such sides, sufficient in height so that no motor vehicle or parts thereof shall be visible to persons walking or riding on any highway appurtenant or handy to said premises.

Section 2. No advertising of any nature or description, except that of the business of the licensee, shall be placed or maintained upon said fence or fences. (July 2, 1935)