

## Chapter 173

### VENDORS, HAWKERS AND PEDDLERS

**[HISTORY: Adopted by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Granby 11-2-1959; amended in its entirety 3-20-2006. Subsequent amendments noted where applicable.]**

#### GENERAL REFERENCES

Violation and citation hearing procedures — See Ch. 58.

Bazaars and raffles — See Ch. 77.

Fees — See Ch. A184.

#### § 173-1. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

**PEDDLER** — Any person, other than a resident child under 15 years old or a tradesman having an established place of business within the Town of Granby, who shall vend or hawk upon the public streets within the Town of Granby at public or private sale or auction, or shall vend or peddle from house to house or from place to place within said Town, any articles of food, goods, wares, or merchandise.

#### § 173-2. Exceptions.

This chapter shall not apply to sales by farmers and gardeners of the produce of their farms and gardens; or to the sale, distribution, and delivery of milk, teas, coffees, spices, groceries, meats, and bakery goods; to sales on approval; to conditional sales of merchandise; to delivery of newspapers; to sales for the benefit of any charity; or to sales made by persons licensed to make such sales by the State of Connecticut.

#### § 173-3. License required.

No person shall carry on the business of a peddler without a license from the Chief of Police. The Chief of Police is hereby authorized to issue such license. Issuance of a license may be deferred for a period not exceeding seven days for the purpose of investigation.

#### § 173-4. Expiration of license; fee. <sup>1</sup>

In all cases, and unless sooner revoked, all licenses shall expire on the 31st day of December succeeding the day of issuance thereof. The yearly fee for each license shall be

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<sup>1</sup>. Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).

as set by the Board of Selectmen<sup>2</sup>for each person so vending, hawking, or peddling, for the privilege of so vending, hawking, or peddling such merchandise.

**§ 173-5. Veteran exemption.**

- A. The fee required by § 173-4 hereof shall not be payable by any resident of this state who has resided within the state for a period of two years next preceding the date of application for such license and who is a veteran who served in time of war as provided in the Connecticut General Statutes, § 27-103, as amended to the date hereof.
- B. In order to be entitled to the exemption granted by this § 173-5 of this chapter, each veteran applying for such a license must produce for inspection his discharge, certificate of honorable discharge from the service or a copy thereof certified by the Town Clerk from the records of the Town where such discharge or certificate of discharge is recorded as provided in the Connecticut General Statutes, § 12-93, as amended to the date hereof, together with a certificate from the Town Clerk that the applicant is a resident of the state.
- C. The requirement for a license shall not apply to a veteran who vends, hawks, or peddles lapel pins, buttons, flowers, small flags or similar novelties, or books or magazines.

**§ 173-6. Information required for license.**

Each person applying for such license shall give to the Chief of Police the following information:

- A. Name, home address and local address, if any.
- B. The address of his principal place of business.
- C. If employed, the name and address of the employer.
- D. If a vehicle is used, a description of same, together with license number or other means of identification.
- E. Identification satisfactory to the Chief of Police, which shall contain a specimen of the applicant's signature.

**§ 173-7. Display and possession of license.**

Each person so licensed shall have the number of his license plainly inscribed on any vehicle, which he uses under such license, and shall have in his possession a license furnished by the Chief of Police bearing the number of his license and the year of his license and the year in which such license is in force. Any person so licensed shall produce such license for examination to any purchaser or prospective purchaser and upon

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<sup>2</sup>. Editor's Note: See Ch. A184, Fees.

request by any law enforcement official or officer charged with enforcement of this chapter.

**§ 173-8. Record of licenses.**

It shall be the duty of the Chief of Police to keep a record of all licenses granted under the provisions of this chapter, giving the number and date of all licenses; the name, residence and physical description of the persons licensed; the amount of license fee paid; and also the dates of revocation of any licenses revoked as hereafter provided.

**§ 173-9. Penalties for offenses.** <sup>3</sup>

Any person who shall engage in the business of a peddler, as defined herein, without being duly licensed as herein provided, or who shall violate the provisions hereof, shall be fined not more than \$250 for each offense and, upon conviction, the Chief of Police shall forthwith revoke the license of such peddler (if a licensed peddler) for the balance of such license year.

**§ 173-10. Withholding or revocation of license.**

Licenses for which application has been made may be withheld and licenses issued under the provisions of this chapter may be revoked by the Chief of Police for any of the following causes:

- A. Fraud, misrepresentation or false statement contained in the application for license.
- B. Fraud, misrepresentation or false statement made in the course of carrying on his business as peddler.
- C. Any violation of this chapter or of a similar ordinance, regulation or statute in any other jurisdiction.
- D. Conviction of any felony, or conviction of a misdemeanor involving fraud or misrepresentation arising out of an activity or the type covered by this chapter, or conviction of sexual assault or unlawful sexual contact.
- E. Conducting the business of peddling in such an unlawful manner as to constitute a breach of the peace or to constitute a menace to the health, safety or general welfare of the public.

**§ 173-11. Sale of food or beverage restricted near school grounds.**

No peddler shall sell any food or beverage on any public street within 1,000 feet of any school grounds on days school is in session during the period commencing 1/2 hour before school is in session and ending 1/2 hour after the session terminates.

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<sup>3</sup>. Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).