



Town of Blades
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ORDINANCE 420 Amendment C
ESTABLISHING BUSINESS LICENSES, INSPECTIONS,
AND FEES FOR SUCH LICENSES

NOW, THEREFORE, THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BLADES MET
AND HEREBY ORDAINS:

GENERAL SERVICES: FEE: \$100.00

Persons, firms, companies, partnerships, trusts, corporations, or any other entity within the corporate limits of the Town of Blades engaged for profit in selling any and all merchandise and/or given commodities from any given establishment, providing facilities for use, entertainment, or enjoyment, providing services for use, service food, door to door solicitation, peddlers or hawkers, manufacturing whether industrial or otherwise. Any person, firm, company, partnership, trust, corporation, or any other entity providing services, excluding professional services, not hereinafter mentioned and established in Town.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES: FEE: \$100.00

Each person or other entity engaged in professional services such as physicians, optometrists, dentists, attorneys, architects, surveyors, engineers, insurance agent, accountant, stockbroker, commodity broker, real estate broker, real estate agent, bank or employment agency.

RENTALS:

Each apartment, cottage or home (1-2 BR)	\$100.00
Each apartment, cottage or home (3 BR)	\$110.00
Each apartment, cottage or home (4 BR)	\$120.00
Each apartment, cottage or home (5 BR)	\$130.00
Each office, office space, building	\$100.00
Each motel, hotel, inn, rooming house	\$10.00/unit
or private house offering room's	\$25.00/min.

INSPECTIONS OF RENTED OR LEASED DWELLINGS OR BUILDINGS
FOR RESIDENTIAL OCCUPANCY:

Inspection of a rental dwelling or building: Any person or persons who leases out or rents out any dwelling or any dwelling unit shall:

1. Cause the same to be inspected by the Housing Commissioner, Code Enforcement Officer, or his designee every year for each dwelling or building. An initial rental inspection shall be required for each dwelling or building rented or leased for residential occupancy prior to a new business license being issued. The Certificate of Occupancy Fee will be charged for all new inspections. All existing rental or leased dwelling units will be required to schedule an inspection prior to the March 31st annual expiration of all current rental licenses. If no arrangements for the annual inspections are made then all person or persons who leases out or rents out any dwelling or any dwelling unit may be in violation of this ordinance and may be fined. See the violations and penalties section of this ordinance. All properties new or existing that fail the initial inspection will be charged a \$25.00 re-inspection fee. In the event that no arrangement for an annual inspection is obtained, the Town may obtain a search warrant pursuant to Chapter 23 Title 11 of the Delaware Code.

Violations & Penalties

1. Any person or other entity violating any part of this Ordinance shall, on conviction, be punished for each offense by a fine of not less than \$100.00, not more than \$500.00., plus court costs and Victims Compensation Fund assessment, and each separate day in which any of the provisions of this chapter is violated shall constitute a separate and distinct offense.
2. In addition to the penalties prescribed in section 1, the Town Council may direct the Town Solicitor to proceed at law or in equity against the person responsible for the violation for the purpose of ordering that person to comply with or restrain from any act in violation of these licensing provisions.

Charitable Organizations

No license fee or tax shall be charged for a license issued to any charitable or public service institution, association, club or body not organized or conducted for private gain, nor shall the Town of Blades be charged for licenses.

Door-to-Door Solicitation

It shall be lawful to engage in door-to-door solicitation from 9:00 a.m. to sunset, providing a “temporary license” is requested and granted by the Town of Blades. No solicitation will be permitted on Sunday without the express permission from the Town of Blades.

Exceptions

1. Nothing herein shall be construed to make it mandatory upon any resident of the State of Delaware to apply for a license in order to sell in the Town any form of produce grown upon a farm owned by the vendor or any member of his or her family with whom he or she resides.

2. Nothing herein shall be construed to make it mandatory for anyone less than 21 years of age to apply for a license in order to perform grass cutting and lawn mowing.

**The right of the Town Council in its discretion to refuse to grant any license and to revoke any license previously granted for failure to comply with the requirements of this Ordinance is hereby specifically reserved.

Amendment C

This ordinance has been read at a three public meetings of the Town Council, Town of Blades, Sussex County, Delaware, first reading _____ day of _____, 20_____, second reading _____ day of _____, 20_____, and third and final reading _____ day of _____, 20_____.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on its third and final reading at a public meeting of the Town of Blades Town Council, Sussex County, Delaware, held on _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Mayor

Date

Attest: _____

Town Administrator

Date