

## **ARTICLE XXI. TRAILER PARKS**

### **Sec. 9-2100. LICENSE REQUIRED.**

No person shall maintain or operate within the limits of the city of Montpelier any trailer park unless such person shall first obtain from the City Council a license therefor. All trailer parks in existence upon the effective date of this ordinance shall, within ninety (90) days thereafter, obtain such license and shall comply with the requirements of this ordinance except that the City Council, upon application of a trailer park operator, may waive such requirements that require prohibitive reconstruction costs if such waiver does not alter the provisions for sanitation herein provided.

### **Sec. 9-2101. DEFINITIONS.**

(a) Mobile home or trailer shall be held to mean a trailer, so-called, designed to provide sleeping and living accommodations for an individual or a family, or office space, with or without bath or toilet facilities, so designed, and with wheels under it or a convenient method for placing wheels under it, that can be towed on the highway behind a motor vehicle. The permanent attachment of a structure of the type heretofore described to one or more of water, sewer or a permanent foundation shall not affect the status of the structure as a mobile home.

(b) Trailer park shall be held to mean an area of land held under one ownership, or management, designed for or used for occupancy by two or more mobile homes when the owners of mobile homes located therein are charged a fee for use of parking space or when mobile homes located therein are rented for occupancy by other than the owners thereof.

### **Sec. 9-2102. LICENSE FEES.**

The licensing provided herein shall be for an annual period from April 1<sup>st</sup> of each year through March 31<sup>st</sup> of the following year and shall be issued only upon payment by the applicant for such license of a license fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) for each trailer space in a trailer park defined in Sec. 9-2101 (b), to be paid to the City Treasurer. When an original license is issued on or after October 1<sup>st</sup> of any year, the license fee for the remainder of the license year shall be one-half of the annual fee. A license issued hereunder shall not be transferrable except with the written approval of the City Council and upon payment of an additional fee of seven dollars (\$7.00) to the City Treasurer. The license fee herein shall be in lieu of all inspection or other fees.

### **Sec. 9-2103. APPLICATION FOR LICENSE.**

The application for a trailer park license shall be made to the City Council, in writing, and signed by the applicant and must contain the following information:

- (a) Name and address of applicant.
- (b) The proposed location of park.
- (c) A plan of the park showing all parking spaces to be used together with the location of all public utilities and sanitary facilities.

**Sec. 9-2104. LICENSE REQUIREMENTS.**

To be entitled to a license an operator must conform the park to be licensed to the following requirements:

- (a) The park must be located on a site graded to insure drainage of surface water and sub-surface water so that the same is free from sewage and stagnant pools.
- (b) A minimum space of twenty-four hundred (2400) square feet must be provided for each trailer space.
- (c) The park must provide a minimum of fifteen (15) feet clearance between each trailer located therein.
- (d) Each trailer space must abut upon a roadway of not less than thirty (30) feet in width of which twenty (20) feet shall be well drained and graveled or be equally well surfaced with provisions for lighting at night time.
- (e) Each trailer space must have a connection for water, sewage and an electric outlet.
- (f) Provisions for the disposal of sewage must be made to conform with the provisions of all other ordinances of the City of Montpelier relating to sewage and to the laws of the State of Vermont relating to sewage disposal and water pollution.

**Sec. 9-2105. MAINTENANCE OF.**

Trailer parks shall be subject to inspection by the City Health Officer who may provide reasonable rules for the maintenance of such parks to insure that the same are kept reasonably sanitary so as not to become a hazard to the health of the residents therein or others, and for failure to comply with any reasonable regulations provided by the City Health Officer, the City Council, upon his complaint and after hearing, may revoke the license of the operator of any park upon conviction of such operator of a violation of this ordinance, any health ordinance of the City of Montpelier, or any law of the State of Vermont made for the protection of the public health and welfare.

STATE LAW REFERENCE: Council may license, V.S.A., T. 24, Sec. 2231.

**Sec's. 9-2106 to 9-2199.** Reserved.

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