

ARTICLE 2. TAXICABS

- 9-201. **LICENSE REQUIRED.** Each person, firm or corporation desiring to operate any taxicab upon the streets of the city, shall first make written application in the office of the city, upon blanks furnished for that purpose, setting forth the name, model, motor number, serial number, state license number, and passenger capacity of each vehicle for which license is sought, and designating the proposed operator or operators thereof, and agreeing that the taxicab shall at all times be operated in strict accordance with all laws of the city and the statutes of the State of Kansas. (Code 1981, 9-401)
- 9-202. **LICENSES: RULES AND REGULATIONS.** All licenses shall be signed by the city clerk and the city clerk shall affix the corporate seal of the city thereto. Licenses shall be issued by the city clerk upon payment by applicant of the fees required herein, for a term of one year from the first day of January each year unless otherwise provided by law or ordinance and shall be dated on the day of issue, state the name of licensee, nature of business licensed, amount of the fee paid therefor, date of expiration, and the authorization to carry on such business. No license shall be transferable or assignable and no refund shall be made on any fees paid therefor. (Code 1981, 9-402)
- 9-203. **TAXICAB DEFINED.** Wherever and whenever used in this article, the term "taxicab" shall be defined as any motor driven passenger vehicle used for the purpose of transporting passengers for hire. (Code 1981, 9-403)
- 9-204. **RESPONSIBILITY OF APPLICANT.** Each person, firm or corporation who shall make application for a license as aforesaid shall be responsible for the driver or drivers placed in charge of the taxicabs operated by him or her, and the application shall contain as a part thereof a statement on the part of the applicant acknowledging such responsibility. (Code 1981, 9-404)
- 9-205. **FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.** The governing body shall not be required to issue a license hereunder unless and until each person, firm or corporation has furnished a financial statement showing satisfactory proof of the ability of the applicant to perform such services as set for in the application for license. The financial statement shall show assets of not less than \$5,000. (Code 1981, 9-405)
- 9-206. **DRIVERS: FILING NAMES; APPROVAL.** Each person, firm or corporation to whom a license is issued hereunder shall keep on file at the office of the city clerk a list of taxicab drivers employed by him or her, each of whom shall have been approved by the governing body

before each such driver shall be permitted to operate a taxicab upon the city streets. (Code 1981, 9-406)

9-207. LICENSE FEES. The license tax hereby levied for taxicabs shall be as follows:

- (a) For the first taxicab, per year or portion thereof - \$15;
- (b) For each additional taxicab, per year or portion thereof - \$5.

(Code 1981,9-407)

9-208. LIABILITY INSURANCE REQUIRED. No license shall be granted to any applicant until the applicant has deposited with the city clerk a policy or certificate of liability insurance for each taxicab for which license is sought, the policy or certificate of liability insurance to be acceptable to and approved by the governing body and issued by a company authorized to transact business within the State of Kansas, indemnifying the applicant in the sum of at least \$25,000 for bodily injury or death to any one person, and \$50,000 for bodily injury or death to any number of persons in any one accident, and \$5,000 for property damage arising out of any one accident. The policy or certificate of liability insurance shall state that it is given to comply with the terms and provisions of this article, and obligating the company issuing the same to give five days' notice in writing before cancellation thereof to the city clerk. Any license issued shall be automatically revoked upon the lapse or termination of the policy or certificate of liability insurance. (Code 1981, 9-408)

9-209. VEHICLE REPLACEMENT: APPLICATION REQUIRED. If the owner of any taxicab licensed under the provisions of this article shall permanently discontinue the use of the same as a taxicab in the city and shall replace the same with another vehicle, immediate application shall be made by the owner to the city clerk for the transfer of the license to the vehicle being placed in the taxi service within the city. Such transfer for the unexpired portion of the term shall be made without additional cost or expense to the licensee. (Code 1981, 9-409)

9-210. EXCEPTIONS: CERTAIN VEHICLES. The provisions of this article shall not apply to motor vehicles operating upon a fixed schedule between fixed points within the city, nor between points without the city and points within the city, nor between points without the city whose route lies in or through the city. (Code 1981, 9-410)

9-211. PENALTY. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this article shall, upon conviction thereof, be fined in a sum

not less than \$10, nor more than \$100 or be imprisoned in the city jail not to exceed 30 days, or be both so fined and imprisoned, and shall be committed to the jail until fine and costs are paid. Each day that any person, firm or corporation shall carry on any business occupation herein taxed without a license, or without having paid the license tax hereinabove provided, shall be deemed a separate offense. (Code 1981, 9-411)