

**SAGINAW CHARTER TOWNSHIP
CODE OF ORDINANCES – BUSINESS LICENSES
CHAPTER 18**

ARTICLE II. BUSINESS LICENSES

Sec. 18-31. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Business means any trade, occupation, profession, work, commerce or other activity owned or operated for profit by any person within the township excluding, however, political, charitable or religious establishments.

Licensing agent means the township clerk or such other township official or employee as may be designated by resolution of the township board.

(Code 1986, § 3-05.02)

Cross references: Definitions generally, § 1-2.

Sec. 18-32. Other licensing provisions.

Specific licensing ordinances shall remain in effect and, for the particular business affected, shall take precedence over this article.

(Code 1986, § 3-05.05.03)

Sec. 18-33. Requirement established.

No person may commence or continue a business within the township without having first obtained a township license therefor as provided in this article and without maintaining such license in current effect during any business operation or activity.

(Code 1986, § 3-05.03.01)

Sec. 18-34. Exemptions.

(a) *Political, charitable, or religious organizations.* No license shall be required of any political, charitable or religious establishment situated within the township.

(b) *Federal or state agencies.* The provisions of this article are not applicable to any agency of the United States of America, the state, or any political subdivisions thereof.

(Code 1986, §§ 3-05.05.01, 3-05.05.02)

Sec. 18-35. Application.

No license to commence or continue a business shall be issued until the owner or operator thereof shall have first submitted an application to the licensing agent of the township on a form provided by the licensing agent for such purposes.

(Code 1986, § 3-05.03.02)

Sec. 18-36. Fee.

A fee in the amount established by resolution shall accompany the original license application and all renewals.

(Code 1986, § 3-05.03.03)

Sec. 18-37. Issuance.

(a) *Restrictions.* No license shall be issued until storm water fees, all hookup fees, connection fees, or other charges required by the township Code shall be paid in full or as permitted by Code provisions.

(b) *Compliance with all laws.* No license shall be issued unless the applicant has complied with all township, county, state and federal laws, rules and regulations.

(c) *Legal under existing law.* No license shall be issued by the licensing agent where the existing or proposed business would be illegal under any law or ordinance of the United States of America, the state, the county having jurisdiction thereof, or the township.

(d) *Issuance after review.* Upon the filing of a properly completed application and upon payment of the fee and after reviewing by the zoning administrator and fire department, the licensing agent shall issue a license to the person to commence or continue the business designated in such application if the business complies with the terms of this article.
(Code 1986, §§ 3-05.03.04, 3-05.03.05)

Sec. 18-38. Duration; renewals; late fees.

The license issued under this article shall be effective until January 15 of every year. Licenses not renewed within 30 days of the January due date shall, in addition to the required fee, pay a late fee in the amount established by resolution.
(Code 1986, § 3-05.03.07; Ord. No. 704, 10-13-2008)

Sec. 18-39. Transfer.

No license may be transferred by the holder to any other person except upon prior approval of the township board.
(Code 1986, § 3-05.03.08)

Sec. 18-40. Display.

The license shall be prominently displayed to public view.
(Code 1986, § 3-05.03.06)

Sec. 18-41. Inspection.

The licensing agent shall have the right of inspection of the business premises to assure compliance with this article.
(Code 1986, § 3-05.03.09)

Sec. 18-42. Revocation and/or suspension.

(a) In the event of any noncompliance with the provisions of this article after a license has been issued, the license may be revoked by order of the licensing agent until the noncompliance has been corrected as determined by the licensing agent.

(b) The licensee may appeal all revocations to the township board, which, for cause shown, may uphold the revocation, or reinstate the license after giving the licensee reasonable notice and after holding a hearing, at which licensee shall have an opportunity to be heard.

(c) In the event of revocation, the license fee shall not be refunded.
(Code 1986, § 3-05.04)

Secs. 18-43--18-70. Reserved.