



Town of Townsend

Business License Application

Business Licenses are required for any business operating within the Town of Townsend. If your business address is located outside of the Municipality, please apply for a Contractor License; any contractor holding a Business License with the Town of Townsend is exempt from obtaining a Contractor License. A Business License issued by the Town is only valid with current insurance and State Licenses.

Terms & Conditions

Section 1 - No person shall conduct or engage in any trade, business or occupation within the Town of Townsend for which a license is required without first having obtained a license therefore and paid the license fee prescribed as listed below.

Section 2 - Licenses shall be required for the following trades, businesses and occupations in the Town of Townsend and the license fee shall be set forth beside the names of said trades, businesses and occupations in the Town of Townsend.

Section 3 - Manufacturers shall pay a license fee at the rate of .00046 of the aggregate gross receipts over \$400,000; provided, however, that the minimum license fee shall be one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00). Merchants and bottlers shall pay a license fee at the rate of .00046 of the aggregate gross purchases for resale over \$400,000; provided, however, that the minimum license fee shall be seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750.00). Businesses will sign an affidavit stating their aggregate gross receipts or aggregate gross purchases for resale. Exemption: Any manufacturer that has aggregate gross receipts or any merchant or bottler that has aggregate gross purchases for resale under \$100,000 will pay a license fee of \$125.00. However, the licensing office must receive a letter stating this by January 31st. Please reference attachment.

Section 4 - Each license granted under this Ordinance shall not be transferable.

Section 5 - License shall be displayed in a conspicuous manner in the principal office in the place of business in the Town of Townsend.

Section 6 - Any person convicted of a violation of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be fined not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00), or upon failure to pay such fine as imposed, shall be imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days.

Section 7 - The premises of every licensee shall be open to the inspection of the Fire Marshal, Board of Health and all applicable Town Officers during all business hours.

Section 8 - All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 9 - There is a penalty If the license fee is not paid by February 15 of each year, then a penalty in the amount of ten (10%) percent per month of the amount of license fee will accrue until payment is received. Each day the license fee is delinquent shall constitute a separate violation and a summons may be issued to initiate a criminal prosecution for each day that the license fee goes unpaid.

Business Name

Signature

Title

Date



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Section One - Business Information

Business Name: _____

Home Address of Applicant: _____

Type of Business (in accordance with Page 3 of this application): _____

Physical Address: _____, Townsend, DE 19734

Preferred Contact (Name & Title): _____

Email: _____ | Phone No. _____

Is the business's mailing address different from the address above? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐

Mailing Address (if applicable): _____

State Business License Numbers (if applicable)

Delaware State: _____ Electrical: _____ Plumbing: _____

Section Two - Supporting Document Checklist

Please provide the following items to support your application.

☐ Current Delaware State Business License

Temporary Licenses are acceptable if they are valid; if a temporary license is submitted, please provide the official license once issued by the Division of Revenue.

☐ Current Certificate of Liability Insurance

The Town of Townsend should be listed as the Certificate Holder on submitted COIs.

Licensing Fee

☐ Provided in cash, check, or money order alongside this application

☐ Requesting invoice from the Town to pay online

See Page 3 of this application for the appropriate licensing fee based on your business type.

The undersigned applicant, being duly qualified and authorized by law to conduct this business, hereby makes application in accordance with an Ordinance of the Town for a business license for the calendar year of 2027 and states that they will comply with all ordinances of the Town of Townsend.

Printed Name

Signature

Title

Date

Send completed applications to:

townhall@townsend.delaware.gov | Town of Townsend | P.O. Box 223, Townsend DE 19734

Fee Schedule

Advertising Agency - \$ 125.00	Motion Picture Theater - \$ 125.00
Amusement Operator - \$ 125.00	Motor Vehicle Serviceman - \$ 125.00
Architect (Per Architect) - \$ 250.00	Nursing, Rest or Convalescent Home - \$ 125.00
Attorney-at-Law (Per Attorney) - \$ 250.00	Open Market Operator - \$ 125.00
Auctioneer - \$ 125.00	Optometrist (Per Optometrist) - \$ 250.00
Bank, Trust, Loan & Credit Union - \$ 250.00	Outdoor Music Festival Promoter - \$ 250.00
Barber:	Parking Lot or Garage Operator - \$ 125.00
2 or fewer - \$ 125.00, 3 or more - \$ 250.00	Pawnbroker - \$ 125.00
Beautician - First 2 \$ 125.00, 3 or more \$ 250.00	Pest Control Services - \$ 125.00
Bowling Alley - \$ 125.00	Pharmacist (Per Pharmacist) - \$ 250.00
Broadcasting Station - \$ 125.00	Photographer - \$ 125.00
Broker (Per Broker) - \$ 125.00	Physical Therapist (Per Therapist) - \$ 250.00
Car Wash - \$ 125.00	Physician and/or Surgeon (Per Doctor) - \$ 250.00
Certified Public Accountant (Per Accountant) - \$ 250.00	Plant Nursery and/or Florist - \$ 125.00
Cesspool Cleaner - \$ 125.00	Podiatrist (Per Podiatrist) - \$ 250.00
Chiropractor (Per Chiropractor) - \$ 250.00	Pool Table Operator - \$ 125.00
Coin Operated Amusement Machine Owner - \$ 125.00	Printer - \$ 125.00
Coin Operated Electronic Video Machine Owner - \$ 125.00	Private Detective Agency - \$ 125.00
Coin Operated Vending Machine Owner - \$ 125.00	Professional Engineer (Per Engineer) - \$ 250.00
Commercial Sign Business - \$ 125.00	Professional Land Surveyor (Per License) - \$ 250.00
Computer Related Services - \$ 125.00	Psychologist (Per Psychologist) - \$ 250.00
Contractor - \$ 125.00	Public Accountant (Per Accountant) - \$ 250.00
Day Care Operator:	Public Stenographer - \$ 125.00
6 or fewer children - \$ 125.00, 7 or more children \$ 250.00	Publishers - \$ 125.00
Dental Lab - \$ 125.00	Real Estate Brokers, Appraisers & Managers - \$ 125.00
Dentist (Per Dentist) - \$ 250.00	Real Estate Property Manager - \$ 125.00
Distributor - \$ 125.00	Real Estate Salesperson or Associate Broker - \$ 125.00
Drayman or Mover - \$ 125.00	Rental Services - \$ 125.00
Eating Establishment - \$ 125.00	Refuse Haulers - \$ 300.00 + \$ 75.00 per truck
Employment Agent - \$ 125.00	Sales Representative - \$ 125.00
Entertainers - \$ 125.00	Schools & Education Services - \$ 125.00
Entertainment Agent or Operator - \$ 125.00	Scientific Laboratory - \$ 125.00
Finance or Small Loan Agency - \$ 250.00	Scrap & Waste Material Services - \$ 125.00
Gas, Light, Power, Cable TV & Telephone Company - \$ 825.00	Secondhand Dealer of Precious Metals - \$ 125.00
General Repairman - \$ 125.00	Security Services - \$ 125.00
Health Spa or Health Club - \$ 125.00	Shoe Repairman - \$ 125.00
Income Tax Consultant - \$ 250.00	Sub-Contractor - \$ 125.00
Incorporator - \$ 125.00	Tailor & Garment Services - \$ 125.00
Insurance Adjustor Office - \$ 125.00	Taxicab or Bus Operator - \$ 125.00
Insurance Agent - \$ 125.00	Taxidermist - \$ 125.00
Janitorial & Cleaning Service - \$ 125.00	Telephone Answering Service - \$ 125.00
Laundry Service Operator - \$ 125.00	Television Repairman - \$ 125.00
Linen Supplier - \$ 125.00	Tourist Home - \$ 125.00
Manicurist - \$ 125.00	Travel Agency - \$ 125.00
Manufactured Home Park (Per Space) - \$ 6.00	Undertaker - \$ 125.00
Manufacturer's Agent or Representative - \$ 125.00	Veterinarian (Per Veterinarian) - \$ 250.00
Merchant: <i>see formula chart below</i>	Warehouseman - \$ 125.00
Mercantile Agency or Collection Agency - \$ 125.00	Wholesale News Agency - \$ 125.00
Motel/Hotel (5 rooms - \$5.00/Room) - \$ 125.00	All Businesses Not Listed - \$ 125.00

***** THIS SECTION APPLIES TO MANUFACTURERS, MERCHANTS, & BOTTLERS ONLY *****



NOTE: Any applicant qualifying under #8 or #9 of this application must furnish the figures requested under oath or affirmation.

8. *Manufacturers: Gross receipts in connection with or from the business during the year ending on the 31st day of December preceding.*

Aggregate Gross Receipts \$ _____
Aggregate Gross Receipts Less \$400,000 = \$ _____

9. *Merchants and Bottlers aggregate cost value of all merchandise purchased for sale in the course of such business during the year ending on the 31st day of December preceding.*

Aggregate Gross Purchases for Resale \$ _____
Aggregate Gross Purchases for Resale Less \$400,000 = \$ _____

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