



PAWN BROKERS LICENSE APPLICATION

Email - The completed application can be emailed to Kathryn.Bowman@wentzvillemo.gov

Or can be mailed/dropped off at:

City Hall – 1001 Schroeder Creek Blvd. Wentzville, MO 63385 (636) 327-5101

Pawn Broker: A pawnbroker is any person engaged in the business of lending money on the security of pledged goods or engaged in the business of purchasing tangible personal property on condition that it may be redeemed or repurchased by the seller for a fixed price within a fixed period of time. Annual cost for this license is \$100 - **No guarantee of issuance with payment.**

BUSINESS INFORMATION:

Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Business Local Phone: _____

Business Email Address: _____

Number of Employees: _____

Term of license: _____ through February 28, 202__

BUSINESS OWNER INFORMATION:

Business Owner Name: _____

Business Owner Address: _____

Business Owner City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Business Owner Email: _____

Business Owner DOB: _____ Social Security# _____

Driver's License #: _____ State Issued: _____

PROPERTY OWNER(S) INFORMATION (IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE):

Property Owner Name: _____

Property Owner Address: _____

Property Owner City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Property Owner Email: _____

Please provide a brief description of the nature of the business:

Please provide a history of any similar business; whether such person, in previously operating in this or another city, or under state license has had his/her license revoked or suspended, the reason therefore, and the business activity or occupation subsequent to such action of suspension or revocation.

The information provided on this application is true and I have received a copy of Chapter 635 of the Wentzville Municipal Code. I hereby consent to a complete criminal record check being made, pursuant to my application for a Pawn Brokers License.

Signature

Date

POLICE DEPARTMENT USE ONLY

Chief of Police investigation did did not result in the discovery of information that requires denial of a license pursuant to **Section 625.110** of the Wentzville Municipal Code.

Signature

Date

Report sent to the Board of Aldermen on: _____

Receipt#: _____

Signature

Date

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

BUSINESS NAME: _____

DATE APPLICATION RECEIVED: _____

Community Development Director or Designee

Date

City Clerk

Date

CHAPTER 635. - PAWNBROKERS

Sec. 635.010. - Authority.

The city has authority to provide for the licensing and regulation of pawnbrokers and those dealing in jewelry, coins and precious stones pursuant to the provisions of RSMo [79.450](#), [94.270](#) and [367.011 et seq.](#)

(Code 1988, § 19-51; Code 2006, § 640.010; Code 2008, § 635.010; Ord. No. 1216, § 1, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.020. - Definitions.

The following words, terms or phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meaning ascribed to it in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Pawnbroker means any person engaged in the business of lending money on the security of pledged goods or engaged in the business of purchasing tangible personal property on the condition that it may be redeemed or repurchased by the seller for a fixed price within a fixed period of time.

(Code 1988, § 19-52; Code 2006, § 640.020; Code 2008, § 635.020; Ord. No. 1216, § 2, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.030. - Register to be kept.

- a. Every pawnbroker shall keep a register of all loans and purchases of all articles effected or made by him, which register shall show the date of loans or purchases, and the names of all persons who have left any description of property on deposit as a collateral security or as a delivery on sale thereof. Opposite such name and date shall be written in plain hand the person's age and motor vehicle operator's or chauffeur's license number, or social security number or other identification of public record designated in a list of such items established by the license collector; a full description of all such property purchased or received on deposit as collateral security, the manufacturer's identifying insignia or serial number, if applicable, the time when the loan falls due, the amount of purchase money or the amount loaned and the interest charged and the picture number.
- b. In addition to subsection (a) of this section, he shall give the party negotiating or selling a plain written or printed ticket for the loan, and a plain written or printed receipt of the articles purchased, having on each a copy of the entries required by this article to be kept in his register. For the ticket or receipt, he shall not be entitled to make any charge. A third copy of such register shall be forwarded on a weekly basis to the city police department to become part of their record.

(Code 1988, § 19-53; Code 2006, § 640.030; Code 2008, § 635.030; Ord. No. 1216, § 3, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.040. - Photographing of persons pawning or selling articles required.

No pawnbroker shall accept any article or property as collateral security, or purchase any article or property without a photograph of the transaction being made, along with the receipt or pawn ticket given to such person; nor shall any pawnbroker refuse to deliver such photograph to any law enforcement officer upon request in connection with a specific item of stolen property, within one

year following the date such photograph is taken. Every pawnbroker shall display a notice to his customers in a prominent place to the effect that he is required, by city ordinance, to photograph every person pawning or selling an item to the pawnbroker.

(Code 1988, § 19-54; Code 2006, § 640.040; Code 2008, § 635.040; Ord. No. 1216, § 4, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.050. - Stolen goods.

It shall be the duty of every pawnbroker to report to the police any article pledged with him, or that is sought to be pledged with him, if he shall have reason to believe that the article was stolen or lost, and found by the person attempting to pledge it, in the case of a lost article.

(Code 1988, § 19-55; Code 2006, § 640.050; Code 2008, § 635.050; Ord. No. 1216, § 5, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.060. - Weapons.

No pawnbroker shall receive as a pledge any revolver, blackjack, or sawed-off shotgun, and no pawnbroker shall display in his window or shop any such weapons for sale.

(Code 1988, § 19-56; Code 2006, § 640.060; Code 2008, § 635.060; Ord. No. 1216, § 6, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.070. - Minors.

No pawnbroker shall have any business dealings as a pawnbroker with any unemancipated minor under the age of 18 years, except with the written consent of the parent or guardian.

(Code 1988, § 19-57; Code 2006, § 640.070; Code 2008, § 635.070; Ord. No. 1216, § 7, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.080. - Compliance with chapter required.

No person or corporation shall conduct or operate a business of pawnbroker in violation of any of the provisions of this chapter.

(Code 1988, § 19-58; Code 2006, § 640.080; Code 2008, § 635.080; Ord. No. 1216, § 8, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.090. - License required.

No person or corporation shall conduct or operate the business of pawnbroker without having first obtained a license therefor as provided in this chapter.

(Code 1988, § 19-59; Code 2006, § 640.090; Code 2008, § 635.090; Ord. No. 1216, § 9, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.100. - License application; investigation.

Application for a pawnbroker's license shall be made by the city clerk and shall state thereon the name of the applicant; the place of business; and the number of employees intended to be engaged. The police chief or any other officer of the city designated by the board of aldermen shall investigate each applicant for such license and shall report back to the board of aldermen whether or not such applicant is a person of good character. No pawnbroker's license shall be issued to a person who has been convicted of the offense of receiving stolen goods or of burglary or robbery.

(Code 1988, § 19-60; Code 2006, § 640.100; Code 2008, § 635.100; Ord. No. 1216, § 10, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.110. - Agreement.

The applicant for a pawnbroker's license shall have agreed not to accept as collateral security or to purchase any camera, radio, television set, lawn mower, typewriter, adding machine, calculating machine, copying machine, duplicating machine, tape recorder, tape player, cash register, still or moving picture projector or offset projector, dictating machine, record player, electric buffer, electric polisher or electric floor waxer unless such item shall have plainly visible thereon the manufacturer's serial number or other identifying insignia.

(Code 1988, § 19-61; Code 2006, § 640.110; Code 2008, § 635.110; Ord. No. 1216, § 11, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.120. - Fee; term.

The annual fee for a pawnbroker's license shall be \$100 per annum, provided that no license shall be issued for less than six months and no license shall be issued until the fee is paid. This license shall be due on March 1 of each year.

(Code 1988, § 19-62; Code 2006, § 640.120; Code 2008, § 635.120; Ord. No. 1216, § 12, 6-22-1994; Ord. No. 1473, § 1, 12-2-1998)

Sec. 635.130. - Separate license for each location.

- a) No pawnbroker shall be allowed to have more than one place for transacting the business of a pawnbroker without having first obtained a license for such place of business.
- b) No person shall act as agent for a pawnbroker at any other place than the place of business stated in the application for a license.

(Code 1988, § 19-63; Code 2006, § 640.130; Code 2008, § 635.130; Ord. No. 1216, § 13, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.140. - Change of address.

In the event a licensee under this chapter shall change any of the address stated in the application during the term for which the license is issued, such licensee shall notify the license collector of such change not later than one day after such change.

(Code 1988, § 19-64; Code 2006, § 640.140; Code 2008, § 635.140; Ord. No. 1216, § 14, 6-22-1994)

Sec. 635.150. - Revocation.

Any license issued under this chapter may be revoked by the mayor and board of aldermen for any violation of any provision of this chapter.

(Code 1988, § 19-65; Code 2006, § 640.150; Code 2008, § 635.150; Ord. No. 1216, § 15, 6-22-1994)