Chapter 92

SEPTAGE DISPOSAL

GENERAL REFERENCES

Health and sanitation — See Ch. 57, Art. II. User charge system — See Ch. 93.

Department of Public Works — See Ch. 90. Water Pollution Control Authority — See Ch. 113.

Public sewers — See Ch. 91.

§ 92-1. Purpose.

- A. The Water Pollution Control Authority for the City of Norwalk shall provide a receiving tank for the disposal of the contents of privy vaults and organic and domestic waste from properties within the City of Norwalk, the Town of Wilton and other towns of origin that have executed an agreement with the Water Pollution Control Authority for acceptance of such waste.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to collect, transport through the public street or highways of the City or dispose of the contents of any privy vaults, cesspools, septic tanks or other accumulation of human excrement, organic or domestic wastes from any property without first obtaining a license for a vehicle to do so, in the manner hereinafter prescribed. Likewise, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to deposit any such materials upon any property within the City. Such materials shall be deposited into a suitable tank container and taken to and discharged into the receiving station provided.
- C. The Director of Public Works shall establish such regulations, rules and forms as he deems necessary for the proper administration of septage disposal.

§ 92-2. Disposal fee.

- A. Vehicle owners disposing of septic tank or cesspool liquid wastes at the Norwalk disposal site shall be charged a fee based on the origin of the waste, at the rate as approved in accordance with the provisions of § 90-4, Approval of rates and fees.
- B. No waste shall be accepted which is generated outside the municipal boundaries of the City of Norwalk or the Town of Wilton unless an agreement has been executed between the town of origin and the Water Pollution Control Authority for the City of Norwalk for acceptance of such wastes. The fee for disposal of such wastes shall be as specified in the agreement.
- C. For pickup-truck-mounted campers, trailers or other recreational vehicles registered to indicate address for a Norwalk or Wilton resident and not hauling for a fee, no disposal fee will be charged.

§ 92-3. Restrictions on disposal.

The provisions of § 91-4, Waste restrictions, shall apply to disposal under this chapter.

§ 92-4. Approval required for transportation of sewage.

No person shall engage in the business of transporting such septage or sewage material without an approval from the Director and Norwalk Public Health Officer.

§ 92-5. Issuance of license.

Any person, upon written, sworn application to the Director and upon such other evidence as may be required to establish his right thereto, shall be entitled to receive a license which shall be valid, subject to the provisions of this chapter, for a period of one year, provided that no person whose license has been revoked shall receive a license except with the approval of the Director. The fee for such license shall be an annual fee established in accordance with the provisions of § 90-4, Approval of rates and fees, and a license shall be obtained for each vehicle used in such service. The Director will endorse each such license upon payment of such fee, and the license shall thereafter become effective immediately. Every vehicle must be inspected and approved by the Director and the Public Health Officer of the City as complying with the provisions of § 92-7, Method of transportation, of this chapter before a license for its operation will be issued or endorsed by the Director.

§ 92-6. License plates.

Every vehicle licensed under these regulations shall have its sewage transport license number conspicuously displayed upon the side thereof, in figures at least four inches high, which shall be furnished by the Director of Public Works.

§ 92-7. Method of transportation.

No such sewage material shall be transported over any public street or highway in the City, except in covered, watertight, metal containers or in vehicles of such closed construction as to prevent leakage, excess of flies or the scattering of the contents upon such public streets or highways of the town. All vehicles and containers used in the transportation of such sewage material shall be kept in a sanitary condition.

§ 92-8. Revocation of license.

- A. Any license granted by the Director under this chapter may be revoked by the Director, the Public Health Officer or the Water Pollution Control Authority if the Director finds and determines that the licensee has failed to comply with any of the terms of such license or of this chapter or the rules and regulations duly promulgated hereunder or fails to render satisfactory sewage transport services.
- B. Revocations and suspensions shall become effective only after a public hearing. The Director shall send a written notice of proposed suspension or revocation to said collector, stating the reasons for such action. The Water Pollution Control Authority shall, within 30 days of the date of such written notice, hear and decide the matter. Such hearing shall be held in public session; provided, however, that the

hearing may be held in executive session at the request of the collector. The collector, the Director and other persons invited by either of them or by the Water Pollution Control Authority may appear and present such testimony and evidence as they may wish. The Water Pollution Control Authority may revoke the license, suspend the license for a time certain, decline to suspend or revoke the license or make such other determination as may be appropriate in the circumstances. The decision of the Water Pollution Control Authority shall be final and binding upon the license. No application for a license revoked under this chapter shall be accepted for a period of one year from the date of the Water Pollution Control Authority's action.

C. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Director shall have power to refuse permission to a licensee to use the disposal facility provided under this chapter when, in his opinion, such licensee has violated this chapter or any other applicable rule or regulation.

§ 92-9. Rules and regulations.

The Director shall have the authority to make such other reasonable rules and regulations concerning collection, transportation and disposal of septage as he shall deem necessary, which shall take effect no less than three days after posting at the Department of Public Works offices and at the designated septage disposal facility.

§ 92-10. Violations and penalties.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall be deemed guilty of a violation and shall be fined an amount established in accordance with provisions of § 90-4, Approval of rates and fees. Each day such violation is committed or permitted to continue shall constitute a separate offense and shall be punishable as such hereunder.