

LICENSES, PERMITS AND BUSINESS REGULATIONS

the purpose or purposes for which the license was granted by the city council for a period of one (1) year. The Common Council may, for good cause shown, extend such period.

(10) A retail class A, B or C license shall not be granted to any applicant whereby the applicant had been convicted of selling alcoholic beverages without the proper retail license within the last eighteen (18) months.

(Ord 10-07, §1, 2-13-07; Ord 71-09, §1, 6-9-09; Ord 161-10, §1, 11-23-10; Ord 187-10, §1, 12-7-10)

Sec. 9-53. Adoption of state law regarding sale of alcoholic beverages to intoxicated persons.

W.S.A. §125.07(2) regarding the sale of alcohol beverages to intoxicated persons in violation of this article is hereby adopted by reference and made an offense punishable as a violation of this Code.

(Code 1965, §11.03(9)(a)--(c), (g), (i), (j), (l)--(n); Ord 122-91, §1, 11-6-91; Ord 98-96, §1, 11-20-96)

Sec. 9-54. Demerit point system.

(a) There is hereby established a point system for the purpose of guiding the Safety and Licensing Committee in the suspension or revocation of alcoholic beverage licenses. The number of demerit points is assigned according to the type of violation. This system is intended to identify habitually troublesome liquor licensees who repeatedly violate state statutes and/or City of Appleton ordinances and to take consistent action against such licensees.

(b) There is hereby assigned the following demerit points for each type of violation:

<u>TYPES OF VIOLATIONS</u>	<u>DEMERIT POINTS (per violation)</u>
Refusal to cooperate with Fire Chief, Police Chief or designees	100
Exceeding posted occupancy capacity	80
Exceeding posted occupancy capacity by more than 30%	150
Sale to person under age 21	80
Person under age 21 on premises	80
Sale to intoxicated person	80
False statement on application	70
Operating while license is suspended	200
Unauthorized transfer/use of license	90
Conducting unlawful business	150

Supp. #98

No licensed bartender on premises	40
Open after hours / failure to vacate	50
After hours carry-outs	50
Gambling / Gambling paraphernalia on premises	150
Nude or semi-nude entertainer / employee on premises	150

<u>TYPES OF VIOLATIONS</u>	<u>DEMERIT POINTS (per violation)</u>
Failure to display license	25
Owner / Employee selling controlled substances	150
Illegal drug paraphernalia on premises	100
Other acts – failure to maintain order / disorderly conduct, noise complaints, etc.	45
Penalty enhancer for severe offenses	100

Enhanced penalty for conduct which
 (1) results in bodily harm to any individual;
 (2) creates a substantial risk of death or bodily harm;
 (3) involves the use of a firearm or other dangerous weapon; or
 (4) demonstrates an ongoing disregard for the requirements of state law or municipal ordinances

<u>HEALTH CODE VIOLATIONS</u>	<u>DEMERIT POINTS (per violation)</u>
Non-critical violation	25
Critical violation	80

(c) **Calculating violations.** In determining the accumulated demerit points, the date of conviction shall be used as the basis for assigning demerit points per violation. Points shall be assigned only after conviction for violations.

(d) **Suspension and revocation of license.** The Police Department shall notify the Safety and Licensing Committee of any convictions which result in the assessment of demerit points against any licensee. Following this notification, or the filing of a complaint pursuant to W.S.A. §125.12, the Committee shall hold a hearing if required by W.S.A. §125.12 or this section, and shall take the following action, after first determining the number of demerit points to be assessed against the licensee:

- (1) For demerit points totaling 25-149 within a 24-month period, a warning to the licensee of the consequences of additional violations. The licensee shall appear before the Safety and Licensing Committee and inform the Committee of the licensee's efforts to rectify the

issues that caused the imposition of the demerit points.

- (2) For demerit points totaling 150-199 within a 24-month period, suspension of the license for a period of not less than ten (10) days nor more than ninety (90) days.
- (3) For demerit points totaling two hundred (200) or more within an 36-month period, revocation of the license. Whenever any license is revoked, at least six (6) months from the time of such revocation shall elapse before another license shall be granted for the same premises, and twelve (12) months shall elapse before any other license shall be granted to the person whose license was revoked.

(e) *Scope.* Nothing in this section shall be construed to conflict with, abridge or modify, the rights or procedures established for revocation or suspension of licenses in W.S.A. §125.12. Notwithstanding the requirements of this section, the Safety and Licensing Committee may require the appearance before it of any licensee at any time.

(f) *Transfer/sale of licensed business.* Upon the transfer or sale of the licensed business, all accumulated demerit points shall be canceled unless any of the following apply:

- (1) The new licensee is related to the former licensee by blood, adoption or marriage;
- (2) The new licensee held a business interest in the previous licensed business, real estate or equipment
- (3) The former licensee or an individual related to the former licensee by blood, adoption or marriage retains an interest in the business, real estate or equipment used by the business;
- (4) The new licensee's acquisition of the business did not involve an arm's length transaction consisting of an open market sale in which the owner is willing, but not obligated to sell, and the buyer is willing, but not obligated to buy.

If any of the above apply, the new licensee shall inherit the demerit points previously assessed and be subject to the penalties set forth in the code.
 (Ord 29-97, §1, 4-2-97; Ord 56-98, §1, 5-20-98, Ord 126-03, §1, 7-22-03, Ord 108-04, §1, 8-10-04; Ord 72-09, §1, 6-9-09; Ord 9-22, §1, 1-19-22; Ord 10-22, §1, 1-19-22)
 Editor's Note: Sec. 9-55 Quadricycles repealed via Ord 16-18, effective 2-13-18

Secs. 9-55 – 9-70. Reserved.

DIVISION 2. LICENSES

Sec. 9-71. Persons requiring license.

No person, except as provided by §9-51, shall distribute, vend, sell, offer or keep for sale at retail or wholesale, deal or traffic in, or for the purpose of evading any law or ordinance give away any intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverage, or cause such acts to be done, without having procured a license or permit as provided in this article, nor without complying with all the provisions of this article and all statutes, ordinances and regulations of the state and City applicable thereto.

(Code 1965, §11.03(2)(a))

Cross reference(s)--Citation for violation of certain ordinances, §1-17; schedule of deposits for citation, §1-18.

Sec. 9-72. Separate license required for each place of sale.

A separate license shall be required for each stand, place, room or enclosure or for each suite of rooms or enclosures which are in direct connection or communication with the place where intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverages are kept, sold or offered for sale.

(Code 1965, §11.03(2)(b))

Sec. 9-73. Issuance for residential premises.

No license shall be issued to any person for the purpose of possessing, selling or offering for sale any intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverage in any dwelling house, flat or residential apartment.

(Code 1965, §11.03(2)(b))

Sec. 9-74. Application.

Application for license to sell or deal in fermented malt beverages or intoxicating liquors shall be made in writing on the forms prescribed by law, shall be sworn to by the applicant as provided in W.S.A. §887.01 through §887.04, and shall be filed with the City Clerk not later than April 15, per W.S.A. §125.51(1)(c). Application for an operator's license shall be made pursuant to W.S.A. §125.04.

(Code 1965, §11.03(5))

Sec. 9-75. Classes of licenses; fees.

(a) There shall be the following classes of licenses, which, when issued by the City Clerk under the authority of the Common Council, after payment of the fee, the amount of which is on file in the City Clerk's Office, shall permit the holder to sell, deal or traffic in intoxicating liquor or fermented malt beverages as provided in W.S.A. §125.25, §125.26, §125.27, §125.28 and §125.51.

- (1) Class "A" fermented malt beverage retail license.