

NASSAU COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATIONS FOR:

DRY CLEANERS/LAUNDROMATS LICENSE

ELECTRONIC/HOME APPLIANCE REPAIR LICENSE

ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD REMEDIATION PROVIDERS & TECHNICIANS LICENSE

HEALTH CLUB OPERATORS LICENSE

HOME SERVICES LICENSE

LOCKSMITH LICENSE

PET GROOMING BUSINESS & PET GROOMERS LICENSE

SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS, VEHICLE DISMANTLERS, AND JUNK DEALERS LICENSE

SECOND HAND PRECIOUS METAL & GEM DEALERS LICENSE

STORAGE WAREHOUSES LICENSE

**** THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION DOES NOT CONSTITUTE PERMISSION TO OPERATE****

A LICENSE MUST ACTUALLY BE IN THE POSSESSION OF THE LICENSEE BEFORE ANY WORK, ADVERTISING, OR THE SOLICITING OF BUSINESS CAN BE LEGALLY CONDUCTED.

1. APPLICATION FORM must be completed and NOTARIZED by an owner or principal of the business.

2. TYPE OF BUSINESS:

Corporations/LLC:

- a) All Corporations, LLC's, etc. must furnish their Corporate Filing Receipt from the NYS Department of State, Division of Corporations.
- b) All corporations must maintain a bona fide establishment at a specific location within the State of New York. If this is not a New York business, you must submit a Certificate of Authority to do business in New York State.
- c) If your corporation is using a DBA, you must submit an <u>Assumed Name Certificate</u> that has been filed with New York State authorizing you to use the name in Nassau County.
- d) All Corporations, LLC, etc. may be required to provide the corporate structure naming all principals, officers, directors, and stockholders.

Partnerships

a) a partnership conducting business, must submit a certified copy of the partnership certificate on file in the Nassau County Clerk's Office. (ref: Blumberg form # X74)

Sole Proprietorship:

a) individuals using their own name, or a trade name, must present a certified copy of the business certificate on file in the Nassau County Clerk's Office. (ref: Blumberg form # X201)

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: If the application is made by an out-of-state individual, partnership, or corporation, you must provide a Certificate of Authority to do business in NY State, have a NY State location, as well as an authorized contact person that has a NYS residence. The contact person is also required to submit a Disclosure Form.

3. PROOF OF BUSINESS LOCATION: All applicants must submit a copy of a current utility bill, land line phone bill or a current lease, to show proof of business location, if the business address is different from the home address. Please Note: a P.O.Box/UPS Store CAN ONLY be used as a mailing address and NOT as a business location.

*For **Pet Grooming Business** Licenses: Provide the name and address of the owner or owners of the business premises, and a copy of the lease or deed for the premises.

- **4. EMAIL**: All applicants must provide a valid email address for business communications. This email address will be used for communications by this Department regarding licensing issues and/or consumer complaints.
- **5. DESCRIPTION OF WORK**: All applicants must describe the work you will be doing with your license. This work must match the description that is listed on your Certificate of Liability Insurance.
- **6. IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS**: NY State law requires <u>ALL</u> businesses to have a Federal Employers Identification number (FEIN). If you collect sales tax, please list your NY State Sales Tax number. For information about obtaining a Federal Employers Identification number please contact 1-800-829-4933 or visit www.irs.gov. For information regarding NYS Sales Tax, please contact 518-457-5431 or visit www.tax.ny.gov. Applications without a FEIN will NOT be processed.
- 7. BANK: All applicants are required to provide their business banking information. This includes the banking institution and bank account number that is to be affiliated with your license.
- **8. DISCLOSURE FORM**: Each owner, principal, partner, corporate officer, director, stockholder, member, manager, and salesperson of the business must complete a Disclosure Form, and have it NOTARIZED.
- 9. FINGERPRINTING: The following license applicants must submit to a fingerprint-based background check: Environmental Hazard Remediation Providers and Technicians; Locksmiths; Scrap Metal Processors, Vehicle Dismantlers & Junk Dealers; and Second Hand Precious Metal & Gem Dealers. Once your license application has been received, you will be sent instructions for the fingerprinting process.
- 10. CERTIFICATIONS/CERTIFICATES: At least ONE of the owners, principals, partners, corporate officers, directors, members and/or stockholders must have the following:
- For Environmental Hazard Remediation License Only:

The following certification information must be included with your license application.

- a) OSHA Safety Standards for Construction or General Industry. Minimum 10 Hours.
- b) NYS Asbestos Handler. Minimum 32 Hours.
- c) EPA Lead Worker. Minimum 16 hours. (Lead RRP is NOT sufficient).
- d) Hazardous Waste Operations (HAZWOPER). Minimum 40 Hours.
- e) Microbial Remediation. Minimum 24 Hours
- f) Water Damage Restoration. Minimum 20 Hours or IICRC WRT Certification
- g) Fire Damage Restoration. Minimum 16 Hours or IICRC FSRT Certification.
- h) PCB Awareness. Minimum 4 Hours
- i) Bloodborne Pathogens. Minimum 4 Hours
- j) Infection Control Risk Assessment. Minimum 4 Hours.
 In addition, proof of valid Lead and Asbestos Abatement Licenses must be submitted

- For Pet Grooming Business and Pet Groomer's Licenses Only:

Documents demonstrating that the owner or manager of the Pet Grooming Business has either:

- Received training in the field of pet grooming for at least one hundred and fifty (150) hours, either as an apprentice or from a school or institution that provides instruction in pet grooming. If the training received was from a school or institution, copies of any certificates, permits, diplomas, licenses or similar documentation must be included
- ii. Continually operated a business providing pet grooming services or has been employed as a pet groomer for a period of at least one (1) year.

Fees

- i. A person who is employed by only ONE pet grooming business, shall be exempt from the pet groomer's license requirement. However, a Disclosure Form with supporting documents is required.
- ii. Owners of a licensed pet grooming business shall be exempt from the individual pet groomers license fee.

- For Storage Warehouse Licenses Only:

You must provide a copy of the Agent Agreement with your Certified DOT Mover certificate that shows your Certified Mover Agents DOT License No.

- 11. INSURANCE: All applicants must have current liability insurance and MUST submit a valid Certificate of Insurance with the following information:
 - 1) Insurance Agent or Broker's name, address, and phone number.
 - 2) Insured's name and address exactly as it appears on the application. All business locations must be listed on the certificate.
 - 3) Policy number, policy effective date and policy expiration date.
 - 4) The name of the Insurer/Insurance Company providing/affording coverage
 - 5) A full and specific description of the work covered under the policy. The description of work must match the work stated on your application.
 - 6) Certificate Holder: Nassau County Department of Consumer Affairs 240 Old Country Road

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- 7) Authorized Representative Signature.
- 8) Limits of Insurance:
 - a. For all Business licenses except Environmental Hazard Remediation:

Bodily Injury - \$100,000/300,000 Property Damage - \$50,000/50,000 Combined Limit - \$300,000 minimum. DEDUCTIBLES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE

b. Environmental Hazard Remediation License Only:

Bodily Injury - \$1,000,000/2,000,000 Property Damage - \$1,000,000/2,000,000 DEDUCTIBLES ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE

9) Cancellation Notice: A notice shall be sent to this office within 15 days prior to any

cancellation, non-renewal, or change in coverage of a license holder's

insurance policy.

- **12. WORKERS COMPENSATION**: A Certificate of Workman's Compensation is required covering all employees (form U26 or 105.2). If you DO NOT have employees or unpaid volunteers including, family members or subcontractors, you must submit a Certificate of Attestation Exemption (CE-200) form from the Workman's Compensation Board. For more information on these forms, please contact the NYS Workers Compensation Board at 866-546-9322 or online at www.wcb.ny.gov. Please verify that you are selecting the correct form for your type of business before submitting.
- 13. BONDS: For Dry Cleaner/Laundromat Licenses; Health Club Licenses; Scrap Metal Processors, Vehicle Dismantlers & Junk Dealers Licenses; Second Hand Precious Metal & Gem Dealers Licenses; and Storage Warehouse Licenses ONLY: A bond or other surety is required and shall be submitted to the "County of Nassau" in the sum listed below. Such bond shall remain in force during the entire period for which the license is valid. The bond shall be for the purpose of guaranteeing payments up to the face amount of the bond or bank draft or other negotiable instruments issued by the licensee in exchange or in its capacity for the license the business has.
 - For a Dry Cleaner/Laundromat or Storage Warehouse License, a 2-year \$10,000 bond is required.
 - For a <u>Second-Hand Precious Metal and Gem Dealer</u> or a <u>Scrap Metal License</u>, a 2-year \$5,000 bond is required.
 - For Health Clubs:
 - a. Escrow Required. Proof of escrow account must be submitted pursuant to Title D-24, Section 21-32.2
 - b. Surety Bonds must have a 45-day cancellation notice. Requirements as follows: (unless

exempt) \$50,000 – sells contracts under one year

\$ 75,000 – sells contract more than 12 months, up to 24 months \$150,000 - sells contract more than 24 months, up to 36 months

c. Additional Surety Bond for additional locations or multiple franchises of a common

franchisor:

For 3 to 4 additional locations – add \$50,000 to bond For 5 to 6 additional locations – add \$100,000 to bond For 7 to 9 additional locations – add \$150,000 to bond For ten or more additional locations – add \$200,000 to bond

- 14. SCALES: For Dry Cleaner/Laundromat Licenses; Second Hand Precious Metal & Gem Dealers Licenses; and Scrap Metal Processors, Vehicle Dismantlers & Junk Dealers Licenses and Storage Warehouse Licenses Only: Only devices approved for use in trade by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets shall be lawful. No weighing or measuring device shall be used within Nassau County without first notifying the Nassau County Department of Consumer Affairs.
- 15. RATES: For Dry Cleaner/Laundromat Licenses; Second Hand Precious Metal & Gem Dealers Licenses; and Storage Warehouse Licenses Only: You must provide this office with a copy of your Schedule of Rates & Charges.
- **16. JUDGMENT SEARCH:** As part of the review process, a judgment search will be conducted for each owner, principal, partner, corporate officer, director, stockholder, member, manager, and salesperson, individually and under the business name or any prior companies that any of the aforementioned may have been part of previously. Failure to resolve any outstanding industry related judgments, tax liens, or unpaid child support, may result in the new license application being denied or deemed incomplete until the outstanding judgment is paid, vacated, or is in the process of being vacated or paid under a payment plan.
- 17. OPEN COMPLAINTS/VIOLATIONS SEARCH: As part of the review process, a search will be conducted for each owner, principal, partner, corporate officer, director, stockholder, member, manager, and salesperson, as well under the business name or any prior companies that any of the aforementioned may have been part of previously. Failure to resolve any open or unresolved consumer complaints or unpaid Consumer Affairs' violations may result in the new license application being denied or deemed incomplete until the open or unresolved consumer complaint is resolved and the unpaid violations are paid.

18. FALSIFICATION/COMPLETION: Failure to provide the required information or the giving of <u>false</u> <u>information</u> may result in the denial of the application for a license or any renewal thereto, as well as cancellation, suspension, or revocation in the event such license has been issued. Falsification of any statement made herein may result in possible criminal prosecution by the Office of the District Attorney.

19. FEES: Nassau County License fees:

1. New Application fee for a two (2) year license (except Health and Environmental)*	\$ 650.00
2. New Application fee for Health Club Operators License	\$1300.00
3. Environmental Hazard Remediation Provider License (2 years)	\$1300.00
4. Environmental Hazard Remediation Technician	\$ 110.00
5. Additional location fee for all licenses except Dry Cleaners/Laundromats	\$ 110.00
6. Additional location fee for Dry Cleaner/Laundromats	\$ 100.00
7. Replacement fee for lost Home Services License	\$ 60.00
8. Replacement fee for lost Electronic/Home Appliance License	\$ 50.00
9. Replacement fee for lost licenses (others)	\$ 55.00

^{*}See Paragraph 10 for Pet Grooming/Groomer license fee details.

ALL PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE BY OFFICIAL BANK OR CERTIFIED CHECK, OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO "THE COUNTY OF NASSAU"

ALL FORMS ARE TO BE COMPLETED LEGIBLY IN BLUE OR BLACK INK OR TYPED.

A TWO YEAR LICENSE WILL BE MAILED TO ALL APPLICANTS AFTER THE APPLICATION HAS BEEN APPROVED AND PROCESSED.

THE LICENSE SHALL BE AFFIXED IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE AT EACH BUSINESS LOCATION & AS WELL AS A COPY SHALL ALSO BE KEPT IN EACH VEHICLE IF APPLICABLE

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR SUBMITTED BUSINESS APPLICATION OR HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT LICENSING; PLEASE EMAIL US AT: consumeraffairs@nassaucountyny.gov