

### Town of Pittsfield Board of Selectmen Town Hall, 85 Main Street Pittsfield, NH 03263

## Regulation

# Billiard Tables, Pool Tables and Bowling Alleys

### **AUTHORITY**

In accordance with, and under the authority of, New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Chapter 286, authorizing the Board of Selectmen to issue licenses governing the keeping and use of pool tables and bowling alleys within the Town of Pittsfield, the following regulations are adopted to license and regulate the use thereof.

### **PURPOSE**

It is the express intent and purpose of these regulations to strictly regulate the use of billiard and pool tables, and bowling alleys, through the issuance of licenses, to prevent the use of the same for gaming for money or property or the corruption of minors.

<u>Section 1. License Required.</u> No person or persons shall keep and hire, for gain or reward, or charge for the use of a billiard or pool table or bowling alley within the Town of Pittsfield, without obtaining a license issued by the Board of Selectmen.

<u>Section 2. Gaming.</u> No person or persons who have been issued a license, under these regulations, shall use or allow others to used a licensed billiard or pool table, or bowling alley for the purpose of gaming for money or other property, of any description, tangible or intangible.

<u>Section 3. Application for License.</u> Applications for licenses that are required under these regulations shall be made on the forms provided by the Board of Selectmen. Such applications shall be made in writing by the proposed licensee, and shall be presented to the Board of Selectmen for their approval.

<u>Section 4. Application Review; Investigation.</u> The Board of Selectmen shall refer all applications received under these regulations to the Chief of Police for investigation and recommendation. The Chief of Police shall report to the Board, in writing, as to the suitability of the proposed licensee to operate a billiard or pool table, or bowling alley, with particular attention to any prior convictions of the proposed licensee for gaming.

<u>Section 5. Licenses; Fees.</u> The annual license for each billiard table, pool table or bowling alley shall be \$25.00, unless they are managed as an adjunct of a summer hotel, summer boarding house, or place of summer outing or resort when the same is kept and maintained for the recreation of visitors during such

of the summer months as such place is kept open for summer visitors, when the charge shall be \$10.00. All fees shall be paid in cash or by certified check.

<u>Section 6. Recording of License</u>. Each license shall be recorded in the office of the Town Clerk, who shall collect a \$.50 fee for each license so recorded, to be paid be the licensee in cash or by certified check.

<u>Section 7. Revoking Licenses.</u> Licenses can be revoked at any time at the pleasure of the Board. Revocation of a license does not entitle the license holder to a refund of any or all of the paid licensing fees.

<u>Section 8. Waiver.</u> Upon the request of an applicant for a permit hereunder, the Board of Selectmen may waive the conditions of these regulations where the literal compliance and strict conformity therewith, would cause undue hardship or injustice to the applicant.

<u>Section 9. Penalty.</u> Whoever, having a billiard table, pool table, or bowling alley in his charge, shall keep the same for hire, gain or reward, or in connection with his place of business, without a license, shall forfeit the sum of \$20.00 for every billiard table, pool table, or bowling alley so kept, to be recovered in an action of debt in the name of the Town, or said person shall be guilty of a violation and the penalty therefore, shall be for the use of the Town.

Adopted this 13th day of May in the Year of Our Lord One thousand nine hundred and ninety seven.

**Paul Richardson** 

**Frederick Hast** 

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