

ORDINANCE NO. 56

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE OPERATION  
OF GAMES OF SKILL WITHIN THE VILLAGE OF  
SPENCER, OHIO, AND TO PROVIDE A LICENSE  
THEREFOR.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL of the Village of Spencer,  
State of Ohio, three-fourths (3/4) of all members elected there-  
to concurring:

SECTION I. That the term "mechanical amusement device"  
as used in this Ordinance, shall be defined as including all  
machines, contrivances or devices, which, upon receipt of coin,  
check or token, will operate automatically so that the person  
inserting said coin, check or token will have the opportunity of  
playing a game on said machine, which game shall reflect the  
skill of the person operating same.

SECTION II. No person, firm or corporation shall dis-  
play in any store, restaurant, hotel, filling station or any  
other public place within the corporate limits of the Village of  
Spencer, any mechanical amusement device without first obtaining  
a license therefor from the Clerk of the Village.

SECTION III. The Clerk of the Village of Spencer is  
hereby authorized to issue licenses for the possession of such  
"mechanical amusement device" to responsible persons of good  
character for the displaying and possession of such "mechanical  
amusement device" upon the payment of an annual license fee of  
Twenty Dollars (\$ 20<sup>00</sup>)  
for each such "mechanical amusement device" displayed or operated  
by and in the possession of such person. Each such amusement  
device, so licensed, shall display thereon suitable identification  
of the operator and owner thereof, and the license issued shall  
be affixed to such machine.

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SECTION IV. ~~No person, firm or corporation, in whose possession such "Mechanical Amusement Device" shall have been placed, shall permit the same to be operated by means under the age of eighteen (18) years, or shall such "Mechanical Amusement Device" be displayed or operated in any public place of business less than three hundred (300) feet from a public school.~~

SECTION V. If, at any time, a machine, so licensed, shall be removed from operation or from the Village of Spencer, it shall be proper for the operator thereof to transfer such license to a machine of similar description and such license shall be valid during the remainder of the period for which it was originally issued on the changed machine.

SECTION VI. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to own, maintain, display or have in custody any mechanical device which shall, by mechanical operation, pay out coins, slugs or tokens or keep a "Mechanical Amusement Device" for the purpose of gambling or allows it to be so used.

SECTION VII. Any person, firm or corporation who violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction, shall be fined not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) or more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and be imprisoned for not less than ten (10) days nor more than ninety (90) days, and shall give security in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for his good behavior for one (1) year.

SECTION VIII. The invalidity of any part of this Ordinance by any Court shall effect only the clause, sentence, paragraph or part brought directly into question.

SECTION IX. This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest period allowed by law and repeals any Ordinance in conflict herewith.

Passed this 30 day of April, 1946.

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