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Shipment of Live Poultry

Sec. 22-37-1. Who shall obtain licenses

Except as noted below, every person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of buying, selling and/or transporting live poultry, the meat of which is to be sold or used for food, shall obtain a license from the commissioner of agriculture and natural resources. Such license will be granted after the applicant has filed application on a special form with said commissioner and has paid the required fee. The following are excepted from the provisions of this section: (1) Merchants transporting dressed poultry; (2) transportation of poultry by common carriers; (For the purpose of administering section 22-37 of the general statutes, as amended, the following definition of common carrier will apply: "One who transports persons or property indiscriminately for hire.") (3) shipments of poultry originating outside the state of Connecticut for destination within the state or passing through the state, provided a bill of sale shall accompany each shipment; (4) transportation by farmers of poultry entirely of their own raising.

Sec. 22-37-2. Application information

The applicant for such license shall state the name of the applicant; if a firm, the names of members of such firm; and, if the applicant is a corporation, the names of the officers of such corporation. The applicant shall also state the place or places of business and telephone numbers of each place of business and the name of the manufacturer and the state registration number of each motor vehicle used in the conduct of such business.

Sec. 22-37-3. Each place of business to be licensed separately

Each place of business shall be licensed separately and with each such license there will be issued one set of two number plates for a motor vehicle or other conveyance used in the conduct of the business so licensed.

Sec. 22-37-4. Posting of license at place of business

The license shall be posted in a conspicuous place within the building or on the premises where the business of buying or selling of live poultry is conducted.

Sec. 22-37-5. Two metal license plates to appear on motor vehicle or conveyance

Two metal license plates as issued by the department of agriculture and natural resources shall be prominently displayed, one on each side of the conveyance used in the buying, selling and/or transporting of live poultry for food purposes.

Sec. 22-37-6. Fees

The sum of five dollars made payable to the commissioner of agriculture and natural resources shall accompany each application for license. If more than one motor truck or conveyance is operated by the licensee in the conduct of his business, additional sets of license plates may be obtained at one dollar per set.

Sec. 22-37-7. Expiration date of all licenses

The expiration date of all licenses, unless previously revoked for cause, will be the last day of February at midnight of each year. The annual fee shall be five dollars per year or any part thereof.

Sec. 22-37-8. Sales record in duplicate

Each person, firm or corporation licensed to buy, sell and/or transport live poultry for food purposes shall provide himself with a poultry sales record book made in duplicate. The record of all sales shall show the following: (1) The name and address of the seller; (2) the date of the transaction; (3) the number of birds, classification (whether fowls, broilers, ducks, turkeys, etc.), total weight, price per pound and total amount in dollars and cents; (4) the name and address of the licensee or purchaser; (5) the license number, and (6) the motor vehicle registration number of the conveyance.

(Typical sales slip appears below)

POULTRY SALES RECORD

Bought of

(Name of Seller)

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(Address of Seller)

Date

No. Birds	Classification Fowl, Broilers, etc.	Total Weight	Price Per Pound	Total Amount

Name of Buyer

Address

Poultry License No.

Motor Vehicle Registration No.

The original copy of each sales slip shall be retained by the seller. The duplicate copy of each sales slip shall be retained by the purchaser for a period of six months after such transaction and shall be open for inspection at all times to the commissioner of agriculture and natural resources or his authorized agents.

Sec. 22-37-9. Permission to transport poultry after dark

The license granted by the commissioner of agriculture and natural resources and referred to under section 22-37-1 and the display of license plates as specified under section 22-37-5 shall constitute permission to transport live poultry upon any public highway within the state of Connecticut between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m., provided a duplicate sales slip, as specified under section 22-37-8, shall accompany such shipment.

Sec. 22-37-10. Revocation of license

If evidence is submitted to the commissioner of agriculture and natural resources or his authorized agent which convinces him that a holder of a poultry transportation license is defrauding by shortweighing, paying by worthless checks or any other method of dishonest dealing with poultry owners, it shall be deemed sufficient cause for revoking such license.