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LANDSCAPER LICENSE APPLICATION

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Borough of Leonia 312 Broad Ave Leonia, NJ 07605 201-592-5780

Jonathan Mandel Borough Clerk

Date: ______ Fee: \$35.00 * Calendar Year: ______ With this application you are required to submit one a copy of your Certificate of Liability Insurance (in the amount of \$100,000.00) to the Borough Clerk's Office. With Approval of your License and your signature on this application you are agreeing to the terms of our Borough ordinances. \$35.00 - Cash, Check or Money Order shall made payable to: Borough of Leonia If any of the requested information is submitted incomplete, the application shall be returned unprocessed.

All Landscapers in Leonia are <u>REQUIRED</u> to provide the removal of lawn clippings and other landscaping debris and shall not leave or deposit said debris at the curbside or any other site in the Borough of Leonia. Failure to comply shall result in fines and or forfeiture of License to operate in Leonia.

2. Noise Ordinance:

The Borough of Leonia prohibits the use of <u>Gas-Powered Leaf Blowers</u> at all times except during the following months: March 15 – May 15 October 15 – December 15

*If Contractor is already licensed with the State of New Jersey as a home improvement contractor, provide proof of registration and the fee will be waived.

3. Vehicle Information:

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BOROUGH OF LEONIA ORDINANCE NO. 2023-02

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 181 ENTITLED "NOISE", ARTICLE 11 ENTITLED "TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT, SECTION 10 ENTITLED "RESTRICTIONS ON USE OF TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT" OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA TO PROVIDE FOR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF INTERNAL COMBUSTION LEAF BLOWERS

WHEREAS excessive sound is a serious hazard to the public health, welfare, safety, and the quality of life; and

WHEREAS a substantial body of science and technology exists by which excessive sound may be substantially abated; and

WHEREAS the people have a right to, and should be ensured of, an environment free from excessive sound,

NOW, THEREFORE, it is the policy of the Borough of Leonia to prevent excessive sound that may jeopardize the health, welfare, or safety of the citizens or degrade the quality of life.

This ordinance shall apply to the control of sound originating from sources within the Borough of Leonia.

Be it ordained that Chapter 181, Article 11, Section 181-10 of the Code of the Borough of Leonia is hereby amended and supplemented by the addition of the following:

Section 1.

181-10H Internal Combustion Leafblowers

- 1. Purpose and Intent. The Borough of Leonia hereby finds that unlimited use of leafblowers powered by internal combustion engines impairs the economic and social welfare, health, peace and quality of life of persons residing in Leonia. The purpose of this section is to minimize the adverse impact of such equipment by restricting its use within the Borough.
- 2. Hours of Use. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this chapter, leafblowers powered by internal combustion engines shall not be operated in the Borough of Leonia except as follows:
 - (A) On weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., except that leafblowers may be used by an occupant or owner of the premises between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on weekdays.
 - (B) On Saturdays between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., except that leafblowers may be used by an occupant or owner of the premises between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

- (C) On Sundays use is prohibited except that leafblowers may be used by an occupant or owner of the property between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.
- 3. Limitation on Use of Leafblowers Powered by Internal Combustion Engines. The operation of leafblowers powered by internal combustion engines shall be limited to each calendar year to the time period between March 15 and May 15, inclusive and between October 15 and December 15 inclusive. The Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator, Deputy Municipal Emergency Management Coordination and Second Deputy Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator shall have the authority to extend or modify such dates when extreme or unusual weather conditions warrant.
- 4. Mufflers. It shall be a violation hereof to operate any leafblower powered by an internal combustion engine in the Borough of Leonia without a properly functioning muffler.
- Safety Equipment. Business operators shall provide their employees using leafblowers powered by internal combustion engines with appropriate equipment to protect employees' health, including hearing protection and eye protection. Business operators shall further ensure that employees use appropriate personal protective equipment while operating leaf blowers powered by internal combustion engines.
- 6. Responsibilities of Property Owners, Business Operators, Landlords and Tenants. Property owners, business operators, landlords and tenants of a property shall each have all the duties and responsibilities prescribed in this chapter, and no property owner, business operator, landlord or tenant shall be relieved from such duties or responsibilities by reason of the fact that the other of them or the occupant is also responsible therefor and in violation thereof.
- 7. Emergencies. The Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator, Deputy Municipal Emergency Management Coordination and Second Deputy Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator are authorized to suspend any one or more of the provision of this section for a period of 24 hours or more whenever such Coordinator determines that an emergency situation exists in the Borough. Such suspension may be renewed each day during the continuance of such emergency.

Section 2.

Consistency

If any provision or portion of a provision of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional, preempted by Federal or State law or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions of the ordinance shall not be invalidated.

Section 3.

Severability

If ay article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason deemed to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

Section 4.

Repealer

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 5.

Effect

This ordinance will take effect immediately upon publication.

Judah Zeigler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Trina Lindsey, Borough Clerk

Chapter 161

LANDSCAPERS

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia 7-9-2001 by Ord. No. 10-01. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Registration of contractors — See Ch. 109.

Garden refuse - See Ch. 243, Art. II.

§ 161-1. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

LANDSCAPERS — Any individual person, partnership, firm, association, business or legal entity which undertakes any of the following services as a commercial undertaking, for consideration: mowing of grass or lawns; trimming or cutting of trees, bushes or shrubbery restoration or installation of lawns, grass, foliage, leaves or trees from a given property; any and all services relating to the placing, installation, care or cultivation of lawns, shrubbery, trees, foliage or other plant life. Notwithstanding the foregoing, "commercial enterprise" shall not be interpreted to include any resident of Leonia who performs only lawn-mowing services by virtue of a hand-operated mower on properties within 10 blocks of his/her residence.

§ 161-2. License and proof of insurance required.

No person, partnership, firm, association, business or legal entity shall engage in the business, of landscaping without first obtaining a license therefor and providing the Borough Clerk with proof of business liability insurance in the amount of \$100,000.00.

§ 161-3. Application.

Every applicant for a license under this chapter shall sign an application on forms furnished by the Borough Clerk.

§ 161-4. License fees; badge or sticker.

The license fee shall be \$35, and no part of said fee shall be prorated for any part of the year. Upon payment of the fee, the Clerk shall issue a sufficient number of identification badges or stickers to the licensee for the calendar year for which the application was filed, which shall be affixed to each vehicle (truck or trailer). The identification badge or sticker shall be visibly displayed on the left side of the rear bumper of the vehicle (truck or trailer) or left rear quarter panel, in order that same is not obscured by any equipment or trailer.

§ 161-5. Removal of clippings and debris.

All landscapers shall provide for the removal of lawn clippings and other landscaping debris and shall not leave or deposit said debris at the curbside or any other site in the Borough of Leonia. Any landscaper who causes said lawn clippings or landscaping debris to remain on the site or curbside or anywhere in the Borough of Leonia shall forfeit his license to conduct his landscaping business anywhere in the Borough of Leonia and shall also be subject to the penalties hereinafter provided in this chapter.

§ 161-6. Violations and penalties.

My person who violates any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof; be subject to a fine not

exceeding \$1,000, imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days and/or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days.