

Sec. 14-516. - Applicability of article provisions.

The provisions of this article shall apply to all rental dwellings/units within the town except those such as hotels, motels and roominghouses which are licensed pursuant to other ordinances.

(Code 1986, § 12-341)

Sec. 14-517. - Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Registrar means the building inspector of the town.

Rental dwelling means any enclosed space which is wholly or partly used or intended to be used for occupants who are paying rent therefor.

Rental unit means any room or group of rooms located within a rental dwelling and forming a single habitable unit for living and sleeping by occupants who are paying rent therefor.

(Code 1986, § 12-342)

Cross reference— Definitions generally, § 1-2.

Sec. 14-518. - Registration.

- (a) *Required.* No rental dwelling/unit shall be let, leased or otherwise permitted to be occupied, in whole or in part, by a tenant for residential and/or dwelling purposes unless and until the record owner has registered such property with the building inspector.
- (b) *Form.* The rental registration form shall indicate the tax assessor's plat and lot number address of the rental dwelling/unit the number of rental dwelling units and bedrooms therein, the name and permanent mailing address of the record owner, and the maximum number of tenants at one time, and period of occupancy (summer, September to June, or other). All rental registration applications shall be signed and properly notarized by the record owner.
- (c) *Filing date; term.* On or before December 31 of each year, the record owner of the rental dwelling/unit shall file the completed rental registration form with the registrar, which registration shall be valid for a one-year period from January 1 to December 31 of the following year. If the property is registered during the calendar year, the registration shall be valid until December 31 of that same year.

(Code 1986, §§ 12-343—12-345; Ch. 1018, 5-16-2016; Ch. 1039, 7-17-2017)

Sec. 14-519. - Posting of notice by owner.

The record owner shall post in plain view, in a conspicuous place within the rental dwelling/unit, a notice containing the ordinances of the town with regard to the dog leash law, trash disposal, winter automobile parking ban, parking restrictions, noise ordinance, dwelling occupancy limits, and any other pertinent ordinance or law which the council may deem appropriate from time to time. Such notices shall be available at the office of the registrar. The record owner or any person in control or possession of said rental dwelling/unit subject to the provisions of this article, shall cause a copy of the current lease and registration form required by this article to be posted or affixed to the inside of the primary access door to said rental dwelling/unit so as to allow the lease and registration form to be readily available for inspection by police, zoning, building, or minimum housing officials of the Town of Narragansett.

(Code 1986, § 12-346; Ch. 844, § 1, 3-8-2004)

Sec. 14-520. - Penalty for violation of article.

Record owners who violate the provisions of this article shall be subject to a minimum mandatory fine of \$500.00.

(Code 1986, § 12-347; Ch. 844, § 1, 3-8-2004; Ch. 951, § 1, 11-21-2011)

TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT

CHAPTER 1082

**AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 14
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT,
RHODE ISLAND, ENTITLED "BUSINESSES"**

It is ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Narragansett as follows:

Section 1: Section 521 (Fee), of Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Narragansett, entitled "Businesses" is hereby amended by deleting the text in ~~strikeout~~ and adding the underlined text to read as follows:

Sec. 14-521. - Fee.

To defray the cost of implementing and overseeing compliance with this article and to help defray the costs associated with the frequent use of town services, including, but not limited to public safety personnel, code compliance personnel and managerial personnel associated with the policing of rental dwellings, there shall be a registration fee of ~~\$85.00~~ 120.00 for each rental unit covered under the provisions of this article. Any owner who is required to file the registration form on or before December 31 of each year, and who does not file on time, shall, in addition to any other applicable penalties provided for herein, be required to pay a late fee of \$300.00.

Section 2: This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

First reading, read and passed in the Town Council meeting legally assembled the 19th day of October, 2020.

Second reading read and passed in the Town Council meeting legally assembled the 16th day of November, 2020.

ATTEST:



Theresa C. Donovan, CMC
Town Clerk

Sec. 34-169. - Sleeping space per person.

Every room in any rooming unit occupied for sleeping purposes by one person shall contain at least 70 square feet of floor space, and every room occupied for sleeping purposes by more than one person shall contain at least 50 square feet of floor space for each occupant thereof. In type A rooming units consisting of only one room, the minimum floor space shall be 120 square feet for the first occupant and 50 additional square feet for the second occupant thereof.

(Code 1986, § 10-179)

Sec. 74-26. - Authority of town manager to prohibit parking.

The town manager shall have the authority to declare a total or partial ban on the parking of any vehicle on the public highways of the town when in his opinion the public safety of residents of the town is or will be jeopardized.

(Code 1986, § 19-21)

Sec. 74-27. - Manner of parking.

The right wheels of all parked vehicles, as determined by sitting in the driver's seat, shall be within 12 inches of the curb or, in the absence of curbing, within 12 inches of the edge of the paved surface. On unpaved roads, vehicles shall park so as not to interfere with free flow of traffic in both directions at the same time. This right wheel provision does not apply to public highways when the direction of traffic is restricted in one direction.

(Code 1986, § 19-22)

Sec. 74-28. - Parking during winter months.

- (a) There shall be no parking on either side of any public street or highway within the town from November 1 to May 1 of each year whenever a winter weather advisory, winter storm warning, or winter storm watch has been issued by the National Weather Service.
- (b) Any vehicle parked in violation of this section shall be towed away, and the owner of such vehicle shall be liable for the cost of towing, storage and other incidental expenses in connection with such towing and shall be fined in accordance with section 74-4.

(Code 1986, § 19-23; Ch. 831, § 1, 5-5-2003; Ch. 1034, § 1, 2-27-2017)