

COIN OPERATED AMUSEMENT DEVICE ORDINANCE

TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known as “**The Coin-Operated Amusement Device Ordinance**” for the Town of Norway.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance pursuant to 8 M.R.S.A. : 441 ET ESQ., is to establish the regulation and operation of any coin-operated amusement device in or on any premises or location within the town.

DEFINITIONS

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

- (1) “Coin operated amusement device” means all of those machines whether mechanical or electronic, which upon insertion of a coin, slug, or token plate or disc or compensation in lieu of the above may be operated by the public generally at a public premises for use as a game, entertainment, or amusement.
- (2) “Good moral character” Proof of good moral character shall include general testimony of the applicant’s reputation in the community and the results of a records check to be conducted by the Chief of Police and included in his or her report.

LICENSE REQUIRED

It shall be unlawful for any person to keep for public patronage or to permit or allow the operation of any coin-operated amusement device in or on any public premises or location under his or hers or its charge, control or custody without first having obtained a license thereof from the Town Clerk. The license shall be issued by the clerk upon the payment of an annual fee of \$100.00 for each machine after the first two; (the first two shall be exempt from a fee) on the premises.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Town Clerk shall not issue such license as stipulated in this section until authorized by the selectmen following a public hearing on the establishment of the coin-operated amusement device location. Such hearing shall be held within thirty (30) days of the original application and during the month of June for renewals.