

CITY OF SALISBURY  
ORDINANCE NO. 1950

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL FOR AN INDIVIDUAL OR BUSINESS ENTITY TO OPERATE OR PERMIT THE OPERATION OF A TAXICAB WITHIN THE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY IN VIOLATION OF CHAPTER 205 OF THE WICOMICO COUNTY CODE.

WHEREAS, the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of Salisbury who may use taxicab services is crucial;

WHEREAS, Wicomico County has enacted Chapter 205 of the Wicomico County Code, which is an ordinance regulating all taxicabs operated in Wicomico County;

WHEREAS, pursuant to said ordinance, the City of Salisbury has authorized the application of said ordinance to taxicabs operated within the city limits of the City of Salisbury;

WHEREAS, Chapter 205 of the Wicomico County Code has been made applicable within the corporate limits of the City of Salisbury by agreement between Wicomico County and the City of Salisbury;

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury desires to insure that owners of all taxicabs operated within the City have obtained a permit and insurance coverage in accordance with the County Ordinance;

WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury desires to ensure that the drivers of all taxicabs operated within the City have obtained a permit in accordance with the County Ordinance, and that said permit is displayed in any taxicab being operated by said driver;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted and ordained by the City Council of the City of Salisbury, in regular session, as follows:

- 1. That Chapter 10.48 of the Salisbury City Code shall be added as follows:**

**Section 10.48.010 Definitions**

For the purpose of this Chapter, the following terms, phrases, words and there derivations shall have the meanings given herein:

“Owner” means the person or business entity in whose name a taxicab is registered with the Motor Vehicle Administration of the State of Maryland.

“Taxicab” means a motor vehicle for hire that is designated to carry seven or fewer individuals, including the driver and is used to accept or solicit passengers for transportation for hire between those points along public streets as the passengers request. It does not include a motor vehicle operated on a regular schedule and between fixed points with the approval of the Public Service Commission.

**Section 10.48.020    Applicability**

The provisions of this ordinance apply to any taxicabs that pick up, discharge, originate or terminate fares within the corporate limits of the City of Salisbury.

**Section 10.48.030    Taxicab Owner’s Permit**

A.    It shall be unlawful for any taxicab owner to operate a taxicab or permit another to operate a taxicab without having obtained a taxicab owner’s permit from Wicomico County in accordance with Chapter 205 of the Wicomico County Code.

B.    It shall be unlawful for a taxicab owner to permit a person to operate a taxicab without a taxicab driver’s permit obtained from Wicomico County in accordance with Chapter 205 of the Wicomico County Code.

C.    It shall be unlawful for a taxicab owner to operate a taxicab or permit another to operate a taxicab without having obtained insurance coverage in accordance with Chapter 205 of the Wicomico County Code.