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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City: Art. I, 12-7-1944; Art. II, 7-2-1953. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Air pollution — See Ch. 13.
Brush, weeds and debris — See Ch. 25.
Garbage and littering — See Ch. 51 and Ch. 59A.
Handbills — See Ch. 52.
Hazardous materials — See Ch. 54.
Property maintenance — See Ch. 66.
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ARTICLE I

General Regulations
[Adopted 12-7-1944]

§ 50-1. Compliance with ordinance required.

It shall be unlawful for the occupant of any dwelling house, store or other building to place or cause or suffer to be placed upon any street, sidewalk, gutter, areaway or public place any ashes, rubbish, offal or garbage except in compliance with the provisions of this ordinance.

§ 50-2. Definitions. [Amended 4-5-1951]

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

ASHES — All noncombustible material and shall include the residue from the burning of coal or other fuel, floor sweepings, bottles, broken glass, crockery, tin cans, scrap metal, furniture, earth, sand, brick, brickbats, stone, plaster or similar substances that accumulate incidental to building construction and trade wastes.

OFFFAL and GARBAGE — The refuse of animal or vegetable matter which has been intended to be used for man or beast.

RUBBISH —Includes combustible materials or debris and shall include paper, cardboard, rags, mattresses, discarded wearing apparel, carpets, rubber, grass cuttings, plant trimmings, leaves and scrap lumber.

§ 50-3. Placement of receptacles; weight and design.
[Amended 4-4-1963; 4-2-1992 by Ord. No. 14-1992; 12-2-1993 by Ord. No. 37-1993]

The occupant of any dwelling house, store or other building shall place the materials described in this ordinance for collection in an appropriate curbside location adjacent to such dwelling house, store or other building, after separation, in appropriate separate receptacles. The receptacles herein required, together with their contents, shall be of such weight and design as to be conveniently handled by one (1) man, and the receptacles and contents shall not weigh more than fifty (50) pounds. All regularly scheduled curbside pickups are subject to a limitation of ten (10) receptacles and/or bundles per pickup, per property.

§ 50-3.1. Placement of receptacles; time limitations.
[Added 12-2-1993 by Ord. No. 37-93]

The occupant of any dwelling house, store or other building shall not place the receptacles required by this ordinance in the appropriate curbside location for collection at any time prior to 7:00 p.m. the evening before regularly scheduled collection. Upon the collection of garbage, the receptacles required by this ordinance shall be removed from curbside before 7:00 p.m. the evening of regularly scheduled collection.

§ 50-4. Separation of garbage and rubbish; receptacles or bundles. [Amended 4-4-1963; 12-2-1993 by Ord. No. 37-1993]

- A. Offal and garbage shall be placed at a suitable curbside location for collection in watertight metal or plastic

containers with a lid securely placed thereon during the entire year.

- B. Ashes and rubbish shall be placed at a suitable curbside location for collection in metal or plastic containers which shall, during the months of November to March inclusive, have a lid securely placed thereon, unless said rubbish consists of grass cuttings, plant trimmings or scrap lumber, in which case said rubbish may be placed for collection if securely bundled in such manner as to permit easy handling.

§ 50-4.1. Sale of recycling cans. [Added 8-19-2010 by Ord. No. O14-2010]

- A. The fee for a recycling can shall be \$12, which shall be collected by the Department of Public Works of the City of Gloucester City.

§ 50-5. Licensing of collectors; duration of license; badge; vehicle markings; breaking into refuse packages.

- A. From and after the adoption of this ordinance, no person, persons, corporation or corporations shall conduct the business of collecting ashes, refuse, paper, rags, metals, garbage or other material from the streets or sidewalks of the City of Gloucester City until he, they or each of them, or each agent or employee of such corporation, shall have obtained a license to conduct such business. Such license, when issued, shall remain in force until the first day of January succeeding the date of its issuance, and an annual fee of fifty cents (\$0.50) shall be paid therefor. Such licensee or his or its agents shall at all times display upon his person a badge which shall be furnished to him by the Superintendent of Streets at the time of the issuance of such license. In addition to the badge which the licensee or agent of such licensee is required to display upon his person, the licensee or agent

shall display the license number, plainly painted in letters of not less than six (6) inches in height, upon any vehicle which may be used by him adjunctive to his business; provided, however, that the requirements of this section are not applicable to the Street Department of Gloucester City or its servants or agents. [Amended 12-5-1974¹]

- B. No licensee or agent thereof shall break into any package of rubbish or garbage that may be found upon the streets or sidewalks of the City of Gloucester City; provided, however, this provision does not prohibit the removal of such package or packages by the licensee or agent thereof, but if the licensee or agent thereof shall remove such package or packages from the streets or sidewalks of the City of Gloucester City, the said licensee or agent thereof shall not redeposit such package or packages upon said streets or sidewalks, nor shall he dispose of such package or packages by placing same upon a public dump of said city, unless the said package or packages have been first securely wrapped and tied in the manner above provided.

¹Editor's Note: See Ch. 1, § 1-6B(5)(a). For further provisions regarding the required license, see § 50-9, infra.

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§ 50-6. Violations and penalties.²

Any person or persons or employee or agent of any corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, pay a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.) or be imprisoned in the County Jail of Camden County for not more than ninety (90) days, and the Judge of the Municipal Court of Gloucester City before whom any such person or persons may be brought may impose such punishment by fine or imprisonment as he may see fit, not exceeding the maximum herein fixed.

§ 50-7. Inconsistent ordinances repealed.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

§ 50-8. Effective date.

This ordinance shall take effect on January 1, 1945.

ARTICLE II
Permission for Garbage Collection
[Adopted 7-2-53]

§ 50-9. Written permission of Common Council required.³

No person or persons, individual or corporate, except by the written permission and license of the Common Council of Gloucester City, shall, after the adoption of this ordinance, collect garbage within the limits of the City of Gloucester City.

² Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code. See Ch. 1, § 1-6B(1). See also § 50-10, *infra*.

³ Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code. See Ch. 1, § 1-6B(5)(b). For other provisions regarding licensing and license fees, see § 50-5, *supra*.

§ 50-10. Violations and penalties.⁴

Each and every person, individual or corporate, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance, shall, upon conviction thereof, forfeit and pay a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.) for each offense or be imprisoned in the County Jail of Camden County for not more than ninety (90) days, and the Judge of the Municipal Court of Gloucester City before whom any such person or persons may be brought may impose such punishment by fine or imprisonment as he may see fit, not exceeding the maximum herein fixed.

⁴ Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code. See Ch. 1, § 1-6B(1). See also § 5-6, *supra*.