

Appendix A: Business license rate schedule

	Income: \$0—\$2,000	Income Over \$2,000
Rate Class	Base Rate	Rate Per \$1,000 or Fraction Thereof
1	\$50.00	\$1.00
2	\$50.00	\$1.15
3	\$50.00	\$1.30
4	\$50.00	\$1.45
5	\$50.00	\$1.60
6	\$50.00	\$1.75
7	\$50.00	\$1.90
8.1	\$50.00	\$1.00
8.2	Set by state statute	
8.3	MASC Telecommunications	
8.4	MASC Insurance	
8.51	\$12.50 + \$12.50 per machine	
8.52	\$12.50 + \$180.00 per machine	
8.6	\$50.00 plus \$5.00 -OR- \$12.50 per table	\$1.00
9.1	\$50.00	\$1.00
9.2	\$50.00	\$1.00
9.3	\$50.00	\$1.00
9.41	\$50.00	\$1.00
9.42	\$50.00	\$1.00
9.5	\$50.00	\$1.00
9.6	\$50.00	\$1.00
9.7	\$50.00	\$1.00 \$1.15

Non-Resident Rates

Unless otherwise specifically provided, all taxes and rates shall be doubled for nonresidents and itinerants having no fixed principal place of business within the Municipality.

Class 8 Rates

Each NAICS number designates a separate subclassification. The businesses in this section are treated as separate and individual subclasses due to provisions of state law, regulatory requirements, service burdens, tax equalization considerations, and other factors that are deemed sufficient to require individually determined rates. In accordance with state law, the Municipality also may provide for reasonable subclassifications for rates, described by an NAICS sector, subsector, or industry, that are based on particularized considerations as needed for economic stimulus or for the enhanced or disproportionate demands on municipal services or infrastructure.

Non-resident rates do not apply except where indicated.

8.1 NAICS 230000—Contractors, Construction, All Types [Non-resident rates apply].

Resident rates, for contractors having a permanent place of business within the Municipality:

Minimum on first \$2,000..... \$50.00 PLUS

Each additional 1,000..... \$1.00

Non-resident rates apply to contractors that do not have a permanent place of business within the Municipality. A trailer at the construction site or structure in which the contractor temporarily resides is not a permanent place of business under this article.

No contractor shall be issued a business license until all state and municipal qualification examination and trade license requirements have been met. Each contractor shall post a sign in plain view on each job identifying the contractor with the job.

Sub-contractors shall be licensed on the same basis as general or prime contractors for the same job. No deductions shall be made by a general or prime contractor for value of work performed by a sub-contractor.

No contractor shall be issued a business license until all performance and indemnity bonds required by the Building Code have been filed and approved. Zoning permits must be obtained when required by the Zoning Ordinance.

Each prime contractor shall file with the License Official a list of sub-contractors furnishing labor or materials for each project.

For licenses issued on a per-job basis, the total tax for the full amount of the contract shall be paid prior to commencement of work and shall entitle the contractor to complete the job without regard to the normal license expiration date. An amended report shall be filed for each new job and the appropriate additional license fee per \$1,000 of the contract amount shall be paid prior to commencement of new work. Only one base tax shall be paid in a license year. Licensees holding a per-job license shall file, by each April 30 during the continuation of the construction project, a statement of compliance, including but not limited to a revised estimate of the value of the contract. If any revised estimate of the final value of such project exceeds the amount for which the business license was issued, the licensee shall be required to pay a license fee at the then-prevailing rate on the excess amount.

8.2 NAICS 482—Railroad Companies (See S.C. Code § 12-23-210).

8.3 NAICS ~~517311, 517312~~ 517111, 517112, 517122 —Telephone Companies.

With respect to "retail telecommunications services" as defined in S. C. Code § 58-9-2200, the Municipality participates in a collections program administered by the Municipal Association of South Carolina. The Municipality has approved participation in the collections program by separate ordinance (the "Telecommunications Collections Ordinance"). The rates, terms, conditions, dates, penalties, appeals process, and other details of the business license applicable to retail telecommunications services are set forth in the Telecommunications Collections Ordinance.

8.4 NAICS 5241—Insurance Companies:

Independent agents, brokers, and their employees are subject to a business license tax based on their natural class. With respect to insurers subject to license fees and taxes under Chapter 7 of Title 38 and to brokers under Chapter 45 of Title 38, the Municipality participates in a collections program administered by the Municipal Association of South Carolina. The Municipality has approved participation in the collections program by separate ordinance (the "Insurers and Brokers Collections Ordinance"). The rates, terms, conditions, dates, penalties, appeals process, and other details of the business license applicable to insurers and brokers are set forth in the Insurers and Brokers Collections Ordinance.

8.51 NAICS 713120—Amusement Machines, coin operated (except gambling). Music machines, juke boxes, kiddy rides, video games, pin tables with levers, and other amusement machines with or without free play feature licensed by SC Department of Revenue pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2720(A)(1) and (A)(2) [Type I and Type II].

For operation of all machines (not on gross income), pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2746:

Per Machine.....\$12.50 PLUS

Business license.....\$12.50

Distributors that sell or lease machines and are not licensed by the state as an operator pursuant to §12-21-2728 are not subject to Subclass 8.51.

8.52 NAICS 713290—Amusement Machines, coin operated, non-payout. Amusement machines of the non-payout type or in-line pin game licensed by SC Department of Revenue pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2720(A)(3) [Type III].

For operation of all machines (not on gross income), pursuant to S.C. Code §12-21-2720(B):

Per Machine.....\$180.00 PLUS

Business license.....\$12.50

Distributors that sell or lease machines and are not licensed by the state as an operator pursuant to §12-21-2728 are not subject to Subclass 8.52.

8.6 NAICS ~~713990—Billiard or Pool Rooms, all types~~ Code Varies – Billiard or Pool Tables. A business that offers the use of billiard or pool tables shall be subject to business license taxation under its natural class for all gross income of the business excluding the gross income attributable to the billiard or pool tables. In addition, the billiard or pool tables shall require their own separate business licenses ~~(A) Pursuant to SC Code § 12-21-2746 and shall be subject to a;~~ license tax of \$5.00 per table measuring less than 3½ feet wide and 7 feet long, and \$12.50 per table longer than that; ~~PLUS, (B) with respect to gross income from the entire business in addition to the tax authorized by state law for each table:~~

~~Minimum on first \$2,000 \$50.00 PLUS~~

~~Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$1.00~~

~~Municipal Association of South Carolina Business License Standardization Class Nine Supplement~~

~~Appendix A of the Association's Model Business License Ordinance includes a list of mandatory or recommended Class 8 rates. Under S.C. Code Section 6-1-400(G)(2), municipalities "may provide for additional reasonable subclassifications...based upon particularized considerations as needed for economic stimulus or the enhanced or disproportionate demands by specific business subclassifications on taxing jurisdiction services or infrastructure."~~

~~Commonly used optional subclasses are listed below. These subclasses are not mandatory. The adopting municipality should review the list below, compare it to its existing class schedule, and determine which subclasses below (if any) to continue or adopt following standardization. Note that in the process of standardization, the subclasses have been renumbered from the number assigned in the Association's prior Model Business License Ordinance. The numbering from the prior Model Ordinance is indicated below.~~

~~The Association strongly recommends that, if a municipality adopts one or more optional Class 9 subclasses, it uses the numbering and suggested language provided below.~~

Class 9 Rates

9.1 NAICS 423930—Junk or Scrap Dealers [Non-resident rates apply].

Minimum on first \$2,000..... \$50.00 PLUS

Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000..... \$1.00

~~9.2 NAICS 522298—Pawn Brokers [All Types].~~

~~Minimum on first \$2,000 \$50.00 PLUS~~

~~Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$1.00~~

9.3 NAICS 4411, 4412—Automotive, Motor Vehicles, Boats, Farm Machinery or Retail.

(except auto supply stores - see 4413)

Minimum on first \$2,000..... \$50.00 PLUS

Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000..... \$1.00

One sales lot not more than 400 feet from the main showroom may be operated under this license provided that proceeds from sales at the lot are included in gross receipts at the main office when both are operated under the same name and ownership.

Gross receipts for this classification shall include value of trade-ins. Dealer transfers or internal repairs on resale items shall not be included in gross income.

~~**NAICS 454390 Peddlers, Solicitors, Canvassers, Door-To-Door Sales.** Direct retail sales of merchandise. [Non-resident rates apply]~~

~~9.41 Regular activities [more than two sale periods of more than three days each per year]~~

~~Minimum on first \$2,000 \$30.00 PLUS~~

~~Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$1.00~~

~~9.42 Seasonal activities [not more than two sale periods of not more than three days each year, separate license required for each sale period]~~

~~Minimum on first \$2,000 \$30.00 PLUS~~

~~Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000 \$1.00~~

~~Applicants for a license to sell on private property must provide written authorization from the property owner to use the intended location.~~

~~The NAICS codes corresponding to Classes 9.41 and 9.42 have been eliminated. Businesses that were previously classified into 9.41 or 9.42 shall be required to apply and pay for a business license in their natural class.~~

9.5 NAICS 713290—Bingo halls, parlors.

Minimum on first \$2,000..... \$50.00 PLUS

Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000..... \$1.30

9.6 NAICS 711190—Carnivals and Circuses.

Minimum on first \$2,000..... \$50.00 PLUS

Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000..... \$1.30

9.7 NAICS 722410—Drinking Places, bars, lounges, cabarets (Alcoholic beverages consumed on premises).

Minimum on first \$2,000..... \$50.00 PLUS

Per \$1,000, or fraction, over \$2,000..... ~~\$1.00~~ **\$1.15**

License must be issued in the name of the individual who has been issued a State alcohol, beer or wine permit or license and will have actual control and management of the business.

Appendix B Business License Class Schedule By NAICS Code

NAICS Sector/Subsector	Industry Sector	Class
11	Agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing	2.00 1
21	Mining	4.00 2
22	Utilities	1
23	Construction	8.10
31-33	Manufacturing	2.00 3
42	Wholesale trade	1.00
423930	Recyclable Material Merchant Wholesalers (Junk)	9.10
44-45	Retail trade	1.00
4411	Automobile Dealers	9.30
4412	Other Motor Vehicle Dealers	9.30
454390	Other Direct Selling Establishments (Peddlers)	9.41 & 9.42
48-49	Transportation and warehousing	2.00 1
482	Rail Transportation	8.20
51	Information	4.00
517311 517111	Wired Telecommunications Carriers	8.30
517312 517112	Wireless Telecommunications Carriers (except Satellite)	8.30
517122	Agents for Wireless Telecommunications Services	8.3
52	Finance and insurance	7.00
522298	Pawnshops	9.20
5241	Insurance Carriers	8.40
5242	Insurance Brokers for non-admitted Insurance Carriers	8.40
524298	All Other Insurance Related Activities	7.00
53	Real estate and rental and leasing	7.00
54	Professional, scientific, and technical services	5.00
55	Management of companies	7.00
56	Administrative and support and waste management and remediation services	4.00 3
61	Educational services	4.00 3
62	Health care and social assistance	4.00
71	Arts, entertainment, and recreation	3.00
711190	Other Performing Arts Companies (Carnivals and Circuses)	9.60
713120	Amusement Parks and Arcades	8.51
713290	Nonpayout Amusement Machines	8.52
713290	Bingo Halls	8.52
713990	All Other Amusement and Recreational Industries (pool tables)	8.60
Varies	Billiard or Pool Tables	8.6
721	Accommodation	3.00 1
722	Food services and drinking places	1.00 2
722410	Drinking Places (Alcoholic Beverages)	9.70
81	Other services	5.00 4

2023 Class Schedule is based on a three-year average (2017 - 2019) of IRS statistical data.

~~Note: Class Schedule is based on 2017 IRS data.~~

This appendix will be updated every odd year based on the latest available IRS statistics.