

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.—No. 304.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of the Queen, to the following Ordinance passed by the Legislative Council:—

Ordinance No. 21 of 1887.—*An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to consolidate the law relating to various Licences.*

By Command,

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 23rd July, 1887.

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No. 21 OF 1887.

An Ordinance enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, to consolidate the law relating to various Licences.

[16th July, 1887.]

BE it enacted by the Governor of Hongkong, with the advice of the Legislative Council thereof, as follows:—

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| | Title. |
| 1. This Ordinance may be cited for all purposes as <i>The Licensing Consolidation Ordinance, 1887.</i> | Short Title. |
| 2. In the construction of this Ordinance the term <i>Public Vehicle</i> shall mean any chair, carriage, jinricksha, or other vehicle of any kind which plies for hire in the streets for the carriage of passengers, and the word <i>Licence</i> shall mean a licence required by this Ordinance. | Definition. |
| 3. The Governor in Council may from time to time make, and when made may alter, add to, or repeal Regulations under this Ordinance; | Governor in Council may make Regulations. |
| (1.) For the issue of licences, the forms thereof, the fees to be paid on such licences, their periods, conditions, and the officers who are to issue them. | |
| (2.) For the regulation of public vehicles and of traffic carried on by means of such vehicles. | |
| 4. All Regulations published under any Ordinance repealed by this Ordinance are hereby continued in force until they shall be replaced by new Regulations made under this Ordinance. | Existing Regulations continued. |
| 5. All licences issued under any Ordinance repealed by this Ordinance shall continue in force till they shall expire, or be forfeited or revoked. | Existing Licences continued. |
| 6. A licence shall be required for every | Licences. |
| (1.) Auctioneer. | (5 of 45. 7.) |
| (2.) Billiard table, skittle-ground, nine-pin or bowling-alley open to the public. | (5 of 45. 7.) |
| (3.) Hawker. | (8 of 58. 11.) |
| (4.) Money changer. | (9 of 67. 7.) |
| (5.) Public vehicle, and also for every bearer, drawer or driver of a public vehicle. | (6 of 83. 2.) |
| (6.) Undertaker of Chinese funerals. | (8 of 58. 11.) |
| 7. Until further order shall be made by the Governor in Council under Section 3, all licences shall be issued by the officers named in the Schedule hereto, on payment of the fees, and for the periods set forth therein. The granting of all such licences shall be in the discretion of the Officers respectively named in the said Schedule or in any Order in Council by which such Schedule may hereafter be varied. Any person aggrieved by the refusal of a licence may appeal to the Governor who may direct the proper Officer to issue such licence. | Issue of Licences. |
| 8. Every person who shall act as an auctioneer or shall keep a public billiard table, skittle-ground, nine-pin or bowling alley without a licence shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding two hundred dollars; and every person who shall neglect to take out any other licence shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars. | Penalties.
(5 of 45. 8.) |

Offences. 9. The following acts shall be deemed to be offences under this Ordinance

- (1.) Any breach of the conditions of a licence.
- (2.) Furnishing untrue particulars for any licence.
- (3.) Using or attempting to use any licence or other document granted in pursuance of regulations made under section 4, which has not been duly issued to the person so using or attempting to use it.
- (5 of 83. 8.) (4.) Refusal by any hirer of a public vehicle to pay the fare of the same.
- Ibid.* (5.) Wilful injury to any public vehicle.
- Ibid.* (6.) Ill-treatment of any driver, bearer, or drawer of any public vehicle.

Compensation. (5 of 83. 8.) 10. Any person convicted of an offence against sub-sections 4, 5 and 6 of section 9 may be required by the convicting Magistrate to pay such compensation to the person aggrieved as to such Magistrate shall seem reasonable. Such compensation shall be payable in addition to any penalty imposed under this Ordinance.

Penalties. [See 14 of 45. 34.] 11. Every person convicted of an offence against this Ordinance or against any Regulation made thereunder for which no special penalty is provided shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding twenty-five dollars.

Recovery of penalties. 12. Any penalty imposed or compensation awarded under this Ordinance may be recovered in a summary way before a Magistrate.

Forfeiture of licences. [See 8 of 58. 12.] 13. Any licence may be forfeited on the conviction of the holder thereof for any offence, if the officer who issued the licence shall think fit.

Repeals. 14. The following Ordinances or portions thereof are repealed, but such repeal shall not affect anything lawfully done or commenced to be done under the said Ordinances, nor revive any Ordinance repealed by them:—

- Ordinance No. 11 of 1844, Sections 38 and 39.
- ” ” 5 of 1845, All, except Section 11.
- ” ” 8 of 1858, Sections 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15.
- ” ” 5 of 1883.

Passed the Legislative Council of Hongkong, this 13th day of May, 1887.

ARATHOON SETH,
Clerk of Councils.

Assented to by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the 16th day of July, 1887.

FREDERICK STEWART,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

SCHEDULE.

Description of Licence.	Term.	Fee.	Granted by
Auctioneer,	Annual	\$300	Colonial Secretary.
Public billiard table, skittle-ground, nine-pin or bowling-alley,	Annual	\$50	Do.
Chinese Money Changer,	Annual	\$5	Registrar General.
Chinese Undertaker,	Do.	\$10	Do.
Hawker,	Do.	50 cts. per quarter.	Do.
<i>Vehicles.</i>			
Wheeled vehicle,	Half-yearly	\$6	Capt. Supt. of Police.
Sedan chair,	Do.	\$1	Do.
Driver, drawer, or bearer of any vehicle	Do.	30 cts.	Do.