MOUNT OLIVE TOWNSHIP CLERK'S OFFICE
APPLICATION FOR A TAXI LICENSE

_____ YEAR

_____OWNER _____DRIVER
(Please check one)

ZONING APPROVAL: YES/NO (approval or denial attached)
Taxes / Assessments on Property paid up to date? YES / NO (approval/denial attached)
$50.00 non-refundable application fee required. PAID _____, 20
Submit (3) passport 2x2 photographs YES/NO
Submit Certificate of Insurance YES/NO
Submit Power of Attorney YES/NO
Submit Copy of Drivers License YES/NO
Submit Copy of Registration YES/NO
Submit list of rates YES / NO

Full Name: _____

Physical Street Address:_____

Mailing Address: _____

Work Phone:_____ Daytime Phone (cell) _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____Place of Birth: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Citizen: YES / NO (please circle one) Legal Resident Alien: YES/NO (please circle 0ne)

Drivers License # _____

Sex – M / F Hgt _____ Wgt _____ Hair _____ Eyes_____

Complexion _____Distinguishing Characteristics _____

TAXI COMPANY INFO

Employer Name _____

Employer Address_____

Employer Phone # _____

Please answer the following:

1.	Have you ever been arrested?	Yes	No
2.	Are you an alcoholic?	Yes	No
3.	Are you a habitual drinker?	Yes	No
4.	Are you now or have you ever been treated for a drug problem?	Yes	No
5.	Are you no or have you ever been a member of any organization which advocates the overthrow of the government of the U.S. or of this State?	Yes	No

If the answer to any of the above questions is "yes" please give details:

_____

_____

_____

Make / Model / Year and Vin # of motor vehicle being used as TAXI

_____

_____

COPY OF DRIVERS LICENSE, POWER OF ATTORNEY, VEHICLE REGISTRATION & CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION!

Personal References: MUST BE COMPLETE!
(3) Three reputable people **not related to you**, who can attest to your character:

Last Name	First	M.I.	Address	City	State	Zip	Phone#
Last Name	First	M.I.	Address	City	State	Zip	Phone#
Last Name	First	M.I.	Address	City	State	Zip	Phone#

Signature _____ **Date**_____

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FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY:

Approved on _____ **by CHIEF/DESIGNEE** _____
(Date) **(Signature)**

Inspection fee paid (100.00 / 5 passengers or less or 150.00 / 6 passengers or more) YES/NO

Assigned Car # _____

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE PLANNING BOARD

CERTIFICATE OF PAID TAXES

OWNER: _____ PHONE #:_____

ADDRESS: _____

TITLE & LOCATION OF

PROPERTY: _____

_____

Block #_____ Lot #_____ Zone_____ # of Lots_____

Tax Sheet #_____

Description of Subdivision:

Minor - #of Lots_____

Sketch - #of Lots_____

Prel. - #of Lots_____

Final - #of Lots_____

_____

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

TAXES OF RECORD 2016

_____

FIRST QUARTER _____

SECOND QUARTER _____

THIRD QUARTER _____

FOURTH QUARTER _____

I, _____, THE TAX COLLECTOR OF MOUNT OLIVE TOWNSHIP

HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE TAXES ARE PAID TO DATE.

_____

DATE:_____

For Use by Individuals and Partnerships:

POWER OF ATTORNEY
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 48:16-5

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that _____
(Name of Entity Giving Power of Attorney)
having(his/her/its) principal office at _____ pursuant to the provisions
(Address of Office)
of N.J.S.A. 48:16-5 does hereby appoint the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Mount Olive, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, and his/her successors in office, (his/her/its) true and lawful Attorney upon whom may be served all process seeking damages, by reason of bodily injury to, or the death of, any person or persons, or for damages to property of any person, persons or entity, resulting from, or on account of, any accident occurring by reason of the ownership, operation, maintenance or use of any taxi upon any public street or any fault in respect thereto and who may acknowledge such service.

And (he/she/it) does further agree that any process so served shall be of the same effect as if duly served upon (him/her/it) within this State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, (he/she/it) has caused these presents to be signed.

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of

_____
CORPORATE NAME

_____
Witness

_____
Signature

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)
) SS
COUNTY OF MORRIS)

I CERTIFY that on_____, 20____, _____ personally came before me and acknowledged under oath, to my satisfaction, that this person:

(a) Isnamed in and personally signed this Power of Attorney; and

(b) Signed, sealed and delivered this Power of Attorney as his or her voluntary act and deed.

_____
SIGNATURE

Signed and Sworn to before
me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC
(STATE OF NJ)

For Use by Corporations:

POWER OF ATTORNEY
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 48:16-5

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(Name of Entity Giving Power of Attorney)
having(his/her/its) principal office at _____ pursuant to the provisions
(Address of Office)
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And (he/she/it) does further agree that any process so served shall be of the same effect as if duly served upon (him/her/it) within this State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, (he/she/it) has caused these presents to be signed by (his/her/its)_____and the corporate seal to be thereunder
(President/Vice President of Corporation)
affixed, this _____day of_____, 20____

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Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of

_____
CORPORATE NAME

_____
Secretary of Corporation
(SEAL)

_____
Signature of Officer

_____
Title of Officer

Corporate Acknowledgement

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)
) SS
COUNTY OF MORRIS)

I CERTIFY that on_____, 20____, _____ personally came before me and acknowledged under oath, to my satisfaction, that:

(a) This person is the Secretary of the Corporation named in this Power of Attorney;

(b) This person is the attesting witness to the signing of this Power of Attorney by the proper Corporate Officer who is the President of the Corporation;

(c) This Power of Attorney was signed and delivered by the Corporation as its voluntary act duly authorized by a proper Resolution by its Board of Directors;

(d) This person knows the proper seal of the Corporation which was affixed to this Power of Attorney; and

(e) This person signed this proof to attest to the truth of these facts.

Signed and Sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____.

_____
NOTARY PUBLIC (STATE OF NJ)

_____
SIGNATURE OF CORPORATE SECRETARY

Township of Mount Olive, NJ
Tuesday, November 3, 2015

Chapter 356. Taxation

Article III. Payment of Delinquent Property Taxes

§ 356-12. Evidence from Tax Collector that no taxes are due.

Before issuance of licenses and permits by the various departments or agencies of the Township of Mount Olive, said owner-applicant shall ascertain from the office of the Tax Collector that taxes and assessments have been paid to a current basis for the property on which the activity or business in question is to take place. In the event that property taxes or assessments are unpaid and not current, no permit or license shall be issued until all such payments have been made by the property owner.

§ 356-13. Applicability.

The provisions of this article shall apply to the following permits, applications and licenses issued by, or requiring approval of, the Township of Mount Olive:

A. Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment applications;

B. Zoning permits;

C. Food establishment licenses;

D. Business sale licenses;

E. Taxi owner licenses; and

F. Limousine and livery licenses.

Ord.# 14 - 2015

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 249, "VEHICLES FOR HIRE"

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Olive has in existence an Ordinance to regulate taxi and limousine services within the Township; and

WHEREAS, there has been in recent years an influx of companies providing taxi and limousine services to the Township; and

WHEREAS, as a result, the Mount Olive Police Department conducted a review and update of the Ordinance in the interest of public safety and to provide standards in service and operation by these companies for those persons and residents utilizing taxi and limousi services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Olive, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey that Chapter 249, "Vehicles for Hire" of the Mount Olive Township Code, in Part II, "General Legislation," is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

Chapter 249. TAXICABS AND LIMOUSINES (Vehicles for Hire)

Towing --- See Ch. 234
Vehicles and traffic — See Ch. 245.

Article I. Taxicabs

§ 249-1. Definitions

As used in this article, the following term shall have the meanings indicated:

DRIVER

Any person who drives a regulated vehicle.

OPERATOR

Any person, corporation, partnership, or association who operates any regulated vehicle.

OWNER

Any person, corporation, partnership, or association in whose name any regulated vehicle is registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles.

REGULATED VEHICLE

Any automobile or motor car, commonly called "taxi" engaged in the business of carrying passengers for hire which is held out, announced, or advertised to operate or run or which is operated or run over any of the streets or highways of this state and

particularly accepts and discharges such persons as may offer themselves for transportation from points or places within or without the state.

§ 249-2. License requirements.

A. Taxi businesses operated within the Township of Mount Olive. It shall be unlawful to operate any regulated vehicle within the Township of Mount Olive unless the vehicle and the driver thereof are licensed and insured pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:16 et seq.

§ 249-3. Application for license.

A. Each application for a taxi license required by § **249-2** shall be filed with the Township Clerk, accompanied by the fee(s) prescribed in § **249-6** of this Article.

B. Each application for a taxi license required by § **249-2** shall be submitted to the Township Clerk on forms provided by the Township.

C. Each application shall be accompanied by all of the following:

(1) Application fee(s) as described in § **249-6.**

(2) A fully completed application.

(3) Three recent photographs of passport size (2" x 2"). One shall be retained by the Town Clerk, another shall be affixed to the police background investigation file, and the third shall be affixed to the taxi license as issued by the Police department and signed by the Chief of Police or his designee.

(4) Proof of insurance as required by § **249-4.**

D. Any person who operates a taxi service in the Township of Mount Olive shall notify the Township Clerk of the name, address and driver's license number of every driver employed by the taxi service. Each operator or driver of the taxi for which the owner thereof is seeking the consent to operate in the township shall additionally be listed on a separate application. All applications will submit to a thorough criminal history background check as directed by the Chief of Police before being issued a license to operate a taxi within the Township.

§ 249-4. Insurance Requirements / Issuance of license / Certificate of Compliance.

A. Each applicant for any taxi license shall provide proof of insurance with their application to the Township Clerk that meets the following requirements:

(1) It shall be issued by an admitted insurance company duly licensed to transact business under the insurance laws of this State or required to do business in this State.

(2) Minimum coverage requirements for each regulated vehicle are $500,000 per occurrence.

(3) Operators must produce proof that the required insurance policy will be in effect and has been prepaid for the entire period the requested license will be effective (usually January 1 through December 31).

C. Each owner shall also execute and deliver to the Township Clerk the required power of attorney in accordance with N.J.S.A. 48:16-5, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

D. Upon the filing and verification of the required insurance policy, the application shall be referred to the Zoning Department, which shall make a recommendation as to whether the applied for business can operate from the listed location under existing zoning laws.

E. Upon approval from the Zoning Department, the application, along with a completed "Certificate of Compliance for Taxi and or Limousine/Livery Service" (as required per N.J.S.A. 48:16-6 and 48:16-17), will be referred to the Chief of Police, who shall conduct a background investigation on the applicant and any employed drivers listed on separate applications. He will then make his recommendation with respect to the granting or rejection of the application(s).

F. Upon approval by the Chief of Police, the application will be forwarded back to the Township Clerk for approval by the Township. No License shall be issued until the application has been approved by the Township, after favorable recommendation from the Zoning Department and the Chief of Police.

G. No license shall be issued until and unless the applicant has complied with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 48:16 et seq., with respect to proof of insurance and delivery of power of attorney.

H. Upon the issuance of a License by the Township, the Township Clerk shall issue an original and a duplicate copy of a certificate of compliance showing that the owner of the regulated vehicle has complied with the terms and provisions of this Chapter and has been duly issued a License. The certificate of compliance shall recite the name of the insurance company, the number and date of the expiration of the policy or bond, a description of the taxicab insured thereunder, and the vehicle registration number of the same. The duplicate certificate of compliance shall be filed with the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission before any such car is registered as an autocab. The original certificate of compliance shall be posted in a conspicuous place within the autocab.

I. A copy of the certificate of compliance, an assigned car number from the Township Clerk, along with the approval from the Township, shall be forward back to the Police Department for the final production of the photo ID Taxi License per § **249-10(C)**.

§ 249-5. Criminal History Disqualifiers.

A. A person shall be disqualified from operating or driving a regulated vehicle if a criminal history record background check required pursuant to this subsection reveals a record of conviction of any of the following crimes:

(1) In New Jersey or elsewhere any crime as follows: aggravated assault, arson, burglary, escape, extortion, homicide, kidnapping, robbery, aggravated sexual assault, sexual assault or endangering the welfare of a child pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2C:24-4, whether or not armed with or having in his possession any weapon enumerated in subsection r. of N.J.S.A. 2C:39-1, a crime pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2C:39-3, N.J.S.A. 2C:39-4, or N.J.S.A. 2C:39-9, or other than a disorderly persons or petty disorderly persons offense for the unlawful use, possession or sale of a controlled dangerous substance as defined in N.J.S.A. 2C:35-2.

(2) In any other state, territory, commonwealth, or other jurisdiction of the United States, or any country in the world, as a result of a conviction in a court of competent jurisdiction, a crime which in that other jurisdiction or country is comparable to one of the crimes enumerated in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

B. If a person who has been convicted of one of the crimes enumerated in paragraphs A(1) and A(2) of this subsection can produce a certificate of rehabilitation issued pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2A:168A-8 or, if the criminal offense occurred outside New Jersey, an equivalent certificate from the jurisdiction where the criminal offense occurred, the criminal offense shall not disqualify the applicant from operating or driving an autocab.

C. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to an operator or driver of an autocab who has received the consent to operate in a municipality prior to the effective date of P.L.2011, c.135 (C.48:16-2.1 et al.).

§ 249-6. Fees.

Owners and operators shall be required to pay the following license and inspection fees.

A. A non-refundable application and processing fee of $50 shall be submitted with the initial application and all renewal applications thereafter.

B. For each regulated vehicle having a seating capacity of not more than five persons including the driver: An inspection fee of $100 per vehicle per annum. (To be paid upon the issuance of license)

C. For each vehicle having a seating capacity of more than five persons: An inspection fee of $150 per vehicle per annum. (To be paid upon the issuance of license)

D. For any replacement of a lost license or for a revised license: $25.

§ 249-7. Qualifications of applicants.

No license to drive a regulated vehicle shall be granted unless the applicant meets the following requirements:

(1) Have a valid New Jersey driver's license.

(2) State the name of the taxi company with whom he or she shall be employed.

(3) Each applicant for a license shall provide proof that he or she is a least 21 years of age.

(4) The applicant must be either a citizen of the United States or a legal resident alien. The applicant must also speak sufficient English so as to reasonably be able to verbally communicate with passengers and police. The applicant must also have sufficient writing skills in English to complete any written documents required under this chapter, i.e., receipts to passengers and fare logs.

(5) If the applicant is a corporation, the corporation must either be incorporated in the State of New Jersey or authorized to do business in this state.

(6) Prior license revocations. The applicant must have no record of prior revocation by any jurisdiction of a license related to the taxicab business. If the applicant is a partnership, then no partner may have such record. If the applicant is a corporation, then neither the corporation nor any officer or director may have such record.

(7) The applicant must have complied with the insurance provisions contained herein. In the event of the cancellation of licensee's insurance, the license shall terminate upon the effective date of the cancellation, unless prior thereto the insurance has been reinstated by withdrawal of the cancellation or a new policy of insurance is delivered to the Twp. Clerk for the remainder of the license year.

(8) The applicant must certify that all child support obligations are current pursuant to the standard set forth in N.J.S.A. 2A:17-56.41.

§ 249-8. Investigations.

A. The Township Clerk may not issue any Taxi License unless and until the applicant shall first be investigated, the granting of the application has been recommended by the Chief of Police and the appropriate application fee prescribed by § **249-6** has been received.

B. As part of the investigation referred to in Subsection **A**, the applicant shall be fingerprinted by "Identigo" or other State certified fingerprinting agency.

C. Each applicant shall be fingerprinted for a criminal history background check at the time of the initial application and annually with each license renewal.

§ 249-9. Licenses; contents; ID's and photographs.

Every licensed driver shall, while engaged in his or her employment:

A. Have his or her original taxi license in his or her possession.

B. License shall be displayed in a prominent place mounted as close as possible to the center of the front dashboard of the regulated vehicle so that it is plainly visible to passengers. Said license must also contain a brief description of the driver, including his or her age, height, complexion, color of hair and color of eyes.

C. Photo License shall be signed by the Township Clerk.

§ 249-10. Term of license.

Each license issued pursuant to the provisions of this Article shall expire on December 31 next after the date of issuance.

§ 249-11. Renewal of license.

A. Each application for a taxi/limo license renewal shall be submitted to the Township Clerk on forms provided by the Township as provided for in § **249-3**.

B. Applications for renewal of licenses are subject to the provisions of §**249-9A**.

§ 249-12. Inspections and Condition of taxicabs/limos.

Every regulated vehicle licensed pursuant to this chapter shall have passed the NJ State Inspection and have the passing inspection sticker affixed to the windshield as required by NJ Title 39. Vehicles shall be properly maintained and equipped at all times in accordance with the manufacturers' recommendations and the standards and regulations of the New Jersey State Motor Vehicles and Traffic Regulation Act. Furthermore, it shall comply with the following additional requirements:

A. The interior shall be clean and sanitary, meaning that the upholstery and carpeting shall be reasonably free from debris, tears, holes, cuts and stains. Maintaining the regulated vehicle in a sanitary condition means keeping the regulated vehicle free from defects which could adversely affect the health of passengers, such as the presence of volatile fumes, spoiled food or garbage, blood stains, or any other items which could affect the health of passengers or the driver.

B. All doors shall open easily and close firmly. This provision requires the immediate repair of doors which cannot be closed by the standard handle for said door (i.e., closing the door with a piece of rope or wire). Furthermore, the door must not be able to be opened without using the door handle, and all locks on the vehicle must operate such as to prohibit the opening of any door while the lock is engaged.

C. Seat belts shall be fully functional and available for the driver and all passengers. Torn, damaged or missing seat belts must be immediately replaced.

D. The exterior shall be clean and free from rust and peeling paint, and all wheels shall be covered by hubcaps.

E. Dents shall not be larger than those that normally occur as a result of parking next to other vehicles. All dents larger than three inches must be repaired promptly. Dents shall be construed to cover damage on any portion of the regulated vehicle, including bumpers and any other exterior facets.

F. Each regulated vehicle in operation must be kept in proper operating condition at all times, including but not limited to a properly functioning muffler and emissions system, a clear and undamaged windshield and windows (no tinting of windows shall be permitted unless factory original equipment from the manufacturer). The Police Department of the Township of Mount Olive may request an inspection or emissions test for any regulated vehicle if, in its sole discretion, cause exists to believe said regulated vehicle is not in compliance with the maintenance requirements set forth herein.

G. Every regulated vehicle is required to have at least one approved child safety seat which must have permanently affixed thereto the name of the taxi company or operator and the number assigned by the municipality to such regulated vehicle.

H. Owners or operators must submit each vehicle for inspection by the Chief of Police or his designee annually at the time of application. The purpose of the inspection is to insure full compliance with all of the requirements of the ordinance and any state laws or regulations. If any violations are found, the Police Department shall inform the Town Clerk that the license issued shall be revoked if the violation is not corrected within 10 days of the inspection. Under such circumstances, the Police Department will inform the applicant in writing what repairs need to be completed to prevent the revocation of the license. In no way should the provisions of this chapter be interpreted as to prohibit an applicant from having a previously rejected vehicle re-inspected after the required repairs are completed. An applicant aggrieved by any provision of this section has an immediate right of appeal to the Township Council.

I. The Police Department reserves the right to conduct additional inspections of each vehicle as is necessary to insure compliance with the requirements of **249-12.**

§ 249-13. Information to be prominently displayed.

Licensed taxicabs shall prominently display:

Display of taxi license number.

A. Per N.J.S.A. 48:16-2.4, the owner of an autocab shall cause to be displayed on the body of the vehicle the taxi license number issued to that vehicle. The number shall be three

inches in height and located in the center of the rear quarter panels on the driver and passenger sides and the rear center line of the trunk of the vehicle. Each autocab shall display on each rear door of the autocab the name of the municipality or municipalities which has issued the autocab a taxi license in letters three inches in height.

B. Additionally, all regulated taxis must have permanently affixed signs on the driver and passenger door displaying the word TAXI, the business name, and phone number. The letters must be at least three inches tall, two inches wide and clearly visible.

C. The drivers regulated vehicle license must be clearly and prominently displayed in the vehicle that he or she is operating.

D. The schedule of fares to be charged shall be clearly and prominently displayed in each regulated vehicle in English and Spanish.

§ 249-14. Articles abandoned or found in taxicabs.

It shall be the duty of every driver or operator of any taxicab to search his vehicle diligently upon the departure of any passenger for any property left therein. If any article(s) is found, the operator shall make a reasonable effort to return it to its rightful owner. If unable to do so, the owner/operator shall turn item(s) over to the police at police headquarters with the name and address of the passenger so departing, if the same is known or obtainable. The Police Department shall thereupon complete a found property report and attempt to notify such person to make arrangements for the return of the property.

§ 249-15. Record of Trips.

The drivers of all regulated vehicles must keep a written record of each trip, on a form to be approved by the Township, including the date and exact time the trip commenced and ended and the number of passengers carried. Trip records must be maintained by the operator for at least three years and must be made available for inspection by the Police Department of the Township of Mt. Olive or any other law enforcement agency upon request.

§ 249-16. Refusal to accept passengers; fare in advance

No licensed driver of a taxicab shall refuse to carry any orderly person applying for transportation who offers to pay the proper fare, unless the driver is already engaged or is otherwise unable to do so. The driver may refuse to transport a passenger unless the proper fare is paid in advance.

§ 249-17. Traffic and other regulations.

A. All drivers will be held fully responsible for compliance with all traffic, parking and safety regulations on the road. In addition, all passengers will be required to enter and exit all regulated vehicles through the door or doors closest to the curb where said passengers are waiting for pick up or are being dropped off.

B. Regulated vehicles that are registered with the state as limousines shall not be allowed to solicit fares on the road and may only pick up passengers who have prearranged said limousine transportation.

C. The pickup or discharge of passengers shall not impede the flow of traffic.

D. Each regulated vehicle shall maintain a first aid kit and fire extinguisher which must be inspected annually as outlined in § **249-12.**

E. Taxi and limousine drivers will not sound their horns except in the case of an emergency consistent with existing laws. The use of a vehicle horn to signal the arrival of a taxi-limousine at a fare's pickup point will be considered a Town nuisance and an offense against the peace and harmony of the citizens. The vehicle owner shall be responsible for all fines against the peace and harmony of the citizens.

F. In addition to all other working knowledge of geography, a street map of Morris County or working GPS directional device is required to be kept in all taxis, at all times.

G. Any change of address of any owner or operator licensed under the provisions of this chapter must be reported, in writing, to the Municipal Clerk within 72 hours of such change. The loss of the license required to be kept by any licensed owner or operator must be reported to the Clerk, in writing, within 72 hours of such loss. The Clerk shall then report such incidents to the Police Department to memorialize this information within the applicants file and/or to provide for the issuance of a replacement license if necessary.

H. No licensee of any taxicab shall use thereon or thereabout any imitation of any color scheme, monogram or insignia previously adopted or used by any other licensee of a taxicab licensed under the provisions of this chapter.

I. No operator of a taxicab shall induce any person to employ him/her by knowingly misinforming or misleading such person either as to the time or place of the arrival or departure of any train, omnibus, boat, aircraft or other means of public transportation or as to the location of any point of destination, nor shall any operator deceive any person or make any false representation to him/her in respect to the transportation or prospective transportation of any passenger, or convey any passenger to any other place or over any other route than that to which or over which such passenger may have instructed the operator to go. Unless otherwise ordered, operators shall convey passengers by the most practical direct routes to their destinations.

J. No taxicab driver shall solicit additional passengers at the point of origin, and no additional passengers may be picked up en route.

K. No person other than the licensed operator of the taxicab shall ride or sit in the compartment of a taxicab reserved for the operator.

L. Every operator of a taxicab shall, immediately at the end of his/her shift, carefully search the taxicab for any properly lost or left therein and shall, immediately after finding any property, make effort to return it to its proper owner or deliver the property to police headquarters if unable to do so as provided for in § **249-14.**

M. All taxicab licensees or their representatives shall answer all calls received for taxi service inside the municipality limits without unreasonable delay. If such service cannot be rendered within a reasonable time, they shall notify the prospective passenger as to how long it will be before the call can be answered and give the reason.

N. All licensees under this chapter shall cooperate with law enforcement officers in the performance of their duty. No licensee shall conceal evidence of a crime or voluntarily aid violators to escape arrest. A licensee shall report immediately to the police any attempt to use his/her vehicle to commit a crime or escape from the scene of a crime

O. Licensed operators, while engaged in the operation of a taxicab, shall behave in a civil and orderly manner and shall not use any indecent, profane or abusive language.

P. No operator or passenger shall smoke or possess lighted tobacco products in a licensed vehicle.

Q. No operator of a taxicab shall operate his/her vehicle in a manner to endanger a passenger or any other person.

R. No licensee under this chapter shall display any advertising on his/her vehicle which obstructs the vision of the operator, including the operator's visions to the rear.

S. No person shall charge or attempt to charge any taxicab passenger a greater rate of fare than that to which the operator is entitled under the provisions of this chapter.

T. No taxicab operator licensed by the municipality, and who is on duty, shall unreasonably refuse to carry any orderly person applying for a taxicab who agrees and, upon reasonable request, demonstrates ability to pay the proper rate of fare. A refusal to carry an orderly passenger shall be presumptively unreasonable where the refusal is based on the amount of money the operator expects to receive or is based upon the race, sex, religion, physical disability or ethnic background of the passenger.

U. The operator of any taxicab shall, upon demand by any passenger, render to such passenger a receipt for the amount charged, on which shall be the name of the owner of the taxicab, the name of the operator, the date and time of the transaction and the amount of the fare.

§ 249-18. License proceedings.

A. Any license issued pursuant to this chapter may be suspended as punishment or revoked by the Township Council after due notice and hearing if:

(1) The licensee has violated any of the provisions of this chapter or of any ordinances of the Township or of state or of federal laws applicable thereto.

(2) The licensed vehicle is unsafe, unfit, unsanitary or unsuited for public patronage.

(3) The licensee has not complied with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 48:16-10 or N.J.S.A. 48:16-24, as the case may be.

B. The Chief of Police may suspend a license issued under this chapter, based upon any of the grounds set forth in Subsection **A** of this section, for a period of not more than 10 business days, pending a hearing by the Township Council.

§ 249-19. Taxi license.

A. Any taxi/limo license issued pursuant to this chapter may be suspended as punishment or revoked by the Township Council after due notice and hearing, for any of the following grounds:

(1) Inability of the licensee to comply with the physical or mental requirements or qualifications prescribed by Article **III** (Licensing of Drivers) of this chapter.

(2) Violation of any of the provisions of this chapter or of any state or federal law applicable thereto.

(3) The conviction or guilty plea of serious motor vehicle violations, including but not limited to DWI, Reckless Driving, Leaving the scene of an accident or failure to report, and/or operating a vehicle without liability insurance as required by law.

B. The Chief of Police may suspend a driver's license issued under this chapter, based upon any of the grounds set forth in Subsection **A** of this section, for a period of not more than 10 business days, pending a hearing by the Township Committee.

§ 249-20. Violations and penalties.

Any person who violates any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding $1,000 or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days, or both. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

Article II. Limousine and Livery Service

§ 249-21. Definitions.

As used herein, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

LIMOUSINE/AUTOCAB

Includes any automobile or motor car with a carrying capacity of not more than nine passengers, not including the driver, used in the business of carrying passengers for hire, which is held out, announced or advertised to operate or run or which is operated or run over any of the streets or public highways of this state and which is hired by charter or for a particular contract or by the day or hour or other fixed period or to transport passengers to a specified place or places or which charges a fare or price agreed upon in advance between the operator and the passenger. Nothing in this definition shall be construed to include taxicabs, hotel buses or buses employed solely in transporting school children or teachers or autobuses which are subject to the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Utilities or interstate autobuses required by federal or state law or rules of the Board of Public Utilities to carry insurance against loss from liability imposed by law on account of bodily injury or death.

LIMOUSINE OR LIVERY SERVICE

Includes the business of carrying passengers for hire by autocabs.

PERSON

Includes any individual, proprietorship, partnership or any form of corporate entity if the Township Clerk has issued to such "person" a certificate of compliance in accordance with N.J.S.A. 48:16-17.

§ 249-22. Notification and payment of fee required.

No person shall operate a limousine or livery service within the Township of Mount Olive without having notified the Township Clerk and paid the annual fee as required by § 249-23.

§ 249-23. Contents of notification; fees.

Any person who intends to operate a limousine or livery service in the Township of Mount Olive shall, prior to commencing operation, notify the Township Clerk. Notification shall include the make, model, year and license plate number for all vehicles used in the operation of the limousine or livery service. Any person who intends to operate a limousine or livery service in the Township of Mount Olive shall, prior to commencing operation, submit a fee of $50 to the Township Clerk. This section shall not apply to any person operating a limousine or livery service on the effective date of this Article.

§ 249-24. Annual notification and fee.

Any person who operates a limousine or livery service in the Township of Mount Olive shall annually notify the Township Clerk of the make, model, year and license plate number for all vehicles used in the operation of the limousine or livery service. Such notification shall be given, in writing, on or before January 15 of each year and shall be accompanied by a fee of $50, which is in addition to the initial fee paid by new operators as set forth in § 249-23.

§ 249-25. List of drivers.

Any person who operates a limousine or livery service in the Township of Mount Olive shall notify the Township Clerk of the name, address and driver's license number of every driver employed by the limousine or livery service, on or before January 15 of each year. This requirement shall also apply to any drivers hired after January 15 and who are employed for at least 30 days, following the 30th day of employment of the driver.

§ 249-26. Insurance; amount.

Except for limousines registered in other states pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:16-22.4, no limousine shall be operated wholly or partly along any street in the Township of Mount Olive until the owner of the limousine shall have filed with the Clerk of the municipality in which the owner has his, her or its principal place of business an insurance policy of a company duly licensed to transact business under the insurance laws of New Jersey in the sum of $1,500,000 against loss by reason of the liability imposed by law upon every limousine owner for damages on account of bodily injury or death suffered by any person as a result of any accident occurring by reason of the ownership, maintenance or use of the limousine upon any public street. Such operation shall be permitted only so long as the insurance policy shall remain in force to the full and collectible amount of $1,500,000. The insurance policy shall provide for the payment of any final judgment recovered by any person on account of the ownership, maintenance and use of such limousine or any fault in respect thereto, and shall be for the benefit of every person suffering loss, damage, injury aforesaid.

§ 249-27. Construal of provisions.

This Article shall not be construed to limit or restrict the obligations of limousine and livery services to submit an insurance policy and power of attorney to the Township Clerk as required by N.J.S.A. 48:16-13 et seq.

§ 249-28. Limousine licensing.

No limousine shall be operated on the highways of the State of New Jersey unless it has a license issued pursuant to N.J.S.A. 48:16-17 and a limousine is equipped in accordance with the minimum standards established by the director of the Division of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Transportation with:

A. A two-way communication system, which, at a minimum, shall provide for communication to a person outside the vehicle for a distance of not less than 100 miles and which requirement may be satisfied by a mobile telephone;

B. A removable first aid kit and operable fire extinguisher, which shall be placed in an accessible place within the vehicle;

C. Sideboards attached to the permanent body construction of the vehicle if the height of the vehicle floor is 10 inches or more above ground level or an appropriate stepping stool or box to assist passengers in entering/exiting the vehicle.

§ 249-29. Compliance with state statute.

Any owner, operator or driver shall comply with N.J.S.A. 48:16-13 et seq. and any regulation enacted therefrom.

§ 249-30. Applicability.

This Article shall apply only to those persons owning or operating a limousine or livery service in the Township of Mount Olive.

§ 249-31. Violations and penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who violates any provision of this Article shall, upon conviction thereof, be punishable by one or more of the following: by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days or by a fine not exceeding $1,000 or by a period of community service not exceeding 90 days.

SECTION 2. All ordinances of the Township of Mount Olive, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. This ordinance may be renumbered for purposes of codification.

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT OLIVE

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ATTEST: 5/26/15

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