

ORDINANCE NO.: 2005-138

Amending the 1998 Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 24, Vehicles for Hire, Article II, Taxicabs, Shuttles and Limousines, Division 2, Driver's Permit, Sec. 24-72, Investigation of application; persons ineligible for permit, (2)

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council this 18th day of January, 2006, that the 1998 Code of Ordinances of The City of Columbia, South Carolina, Chapter 24, Vehicles for Hire, Article II, Taxicabs, Shuttles and Limousines, Division 2, Driver's Permit, Sec. 24-72, Investigation of application; persons ineligible for permit, (2) is amended to read as follows:

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**Sec. 24-72. Investigation of application; persons ineligible for permit.**

Before issuing any permit as required by this division, the chief of police or his designee shall investigate the facts set out in such application, and shall not grant such permit to any applicant who:

- (1) Has been or could be classified as a habitual offender as defined in S.C. Code 1976, § 56-1-1020;
- (2) Has been convicted of a violation of any law or ordinances involving moral turpitude within the previous three years; and/or
- (3) Has been convicted, within the previous five years, of an offense involving intent to distribute, trafficking in, distribution of or manufacture of a controlled substance including but not limited to marijuana, cocaine, crack cocaine, or heroin, possession of cocaine, crack cocaine, heroin or other controlled substances.
- (4) Has been convicted, regardless of the length of time since conviction, of an offense involving assault and/or battery of a high and aggravated nature, assault and/or battery with intent to kill, assault with intent to commit criminal sexual conduct, auto theft, attempted auto theft, bank robbery, accessory to bank robbery, lewd act upon a child, criminal sexual conduct, rape, robbery, manslaughter or murder. This subsection (4) shall not bar permit renewal for any person who holds a valid permit as of the effective date of the ordinance from which this section is derived and who may have been convicted of any of the offenses enumerated in this section prior to the effective date.

This ordinance is effective as of final reading.

Requested by:

  
MAYOR

Approved by:

  
City Manager

Approved as to form:

  
City Attorney

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk

Introduced: 1/11/2006

Final Reading: 1/18/2006