Chapter 5.100

TAXICABS

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5.100.010 Definitions.

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

Airport Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. An "airport certificate of public convenience and necessity" issued by the central licensing bureau authorizes the holder thereof to pick up passengers at Terminal A of Newark International Airport.

"Airport permit" means a license issued by the licensor inspector for each vehicle operated under an airport certificate of public convenience and necessity.

"Call box" means a place alongside a street or elsewhere where the central license bureau has authorized a holder of a certificate of public convenience and necessity to install a telephone or "call box" for the taking of calls and the dispatching of taxicabs.
City Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity. A "city certificate of public convenience and necessity" issued by the central licensing bureau authorizes the holder thereof to conduct a taxicab business in the city, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

"City permit" means a license issued by the license inspector for each vehicle operated under a city certificate of public convenience and necessity.

"Cruising" means the driving of a taxicab on the streets, alleys or public places of the city in search of or soliciting prospective passengers for hire.

"Designated taxi stands" means a public place alongside the curb of a street or elsewhere in the city, which has been designated by the central license bureau as reserved exclusively for the use of certain taxicabs.

"Driver's license" means the permission granted by the license inspector to a person to drive a taxicab upon the streets of the city.

"Holder" means a person to whom a certificate of public convenience and necessity has been issued.

"License inspector" means the supervisor of licenses.

"Manifest" means a daily record prepared by a taxicab driver of all trips made by such driver, showing time and place of origin, destination, number of passengers and the amount of fare of each trip.

"Permit" means a license issued by the license inspector for each volume operated under a certificate.

"Persons" means and includes an individual, a corporation or other legal entity, a partnership and any unincorporated association.

"Rate card" means a card issued by the license inspector for display in each taxicab which contains the rate of fare then in force.

"Taxicab" means a motor vehicle regularly engaged in the business of carrying passengers for hire, having a seating capacity of four persons and not operated on a fixed route.

"Taxicab dispatcher license" means a license issued to one who is engaged in the dispatching of taxicabs at various times to various destinations upon the request of the public.

"Temporary license" means a license issued to a driver of a taxicab pending final approval of his or her driver's license application, which temporary license shall be good for thirty (30) days from the date of its issuance.

"Waiting time" means the time when a taxicab is not in motion from the time of acceptance of a passenger or passengers to the time of discharge, but does not include any time that the taxicab is not in motion if due to any cause other than the request, act or fault of a passenger or passengers.

"Zone map" means a map showing the city by streets and the fare zones, with the amount of the fare for each zone shown thereon, which map shall be in each cab and must be produced upon demand. (Ord. 3188 § 1, 1999; prior code § 133-1)

5.100.020 Certificate of public convenience and necessity and permit required—Classification by type of permit and certificate—Exception.

A. No person shall operate or permit a taxicab owned or controlled by an individual, corporation, partnership, or other legal entity to be operated as a vehicle for hire upon the streets of the city or at Terminal A of Newark International Airport without having first obtained a certificate of public convenience and necessity and an appropriate taxicab permit from the central licensing bureau as provided for in this chapter.

B. There shall be two classifications of taxicab permits and certificates of public convenience and necessity in the city.

1. A city taxicab permit and city certificate of public convenience and necessity shall permit the holder thereof to provide taxicab service within the city, with the exception that the holders of city taxicab permits and city certificates of public convenience and necessity shall not be permitted to pick up passengers at Terminal A of Newark International Airport. The holder of a city certificate of public convenience and necessity for city taxicabs may operate more than one vehicle under each city certificate of public convenience and necessity provided that the holder has a city taxicab permit for each vehicle operated under the city certificate of public convenience and necessity.

2. An airport taxicab permit and airport certificate of public convenience and necessity shall permit the holder thereof to pick up passengers only at Terminal A of Newark International Airport. The holder of an airport certificate of public convenience and necessity for airport taxi-
cabs shall operate one vehicle under each airport certificate of public convenience and necessity.

C. Exception. The holder of a city taxicab permit and city certificate of public convenience and necessity may only pick up passengers at Terminal A of Newark International Airport when the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey or its designee at Terminal A of Newark International Airport determines that there are insufficient city airport taxicabs to accommodate passenger needs at Terminal A. In such an event, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey or its designee may call the holders of city taxicab permits and city certificates of public convenience and necessity, on a rotating basis, for the purpose of picking up passengers at Terminal A as it may deem necessary. (Ord. 3188 § 2, 1999: prior code § 133-2)

5.100.030 Application for certificate—Procedure—Information required.

An application for a certificate shall be filed with the central license bureau upon forms provided by the city; and such application shall be verified under oath and shall furnish the following information:

A. The name and address of the applicant.
B. The financial status of the applicant, including the amounts of all unpaid judgments against the applicant and the nature of the transaction or acts giving rise to such judgments.
C. The experience of the applicant in the transportation of passengers.
D. Any facts which the applicant believes tend to prove that public convenience and necessity require the granting of a certificate.
E. The number of vehicles to be operated or controlled by the applicant, and the location of proposed designated taxi stands.
F. The color scheme or insignia to be used to designate the vehicle or vehicles of the applicant. (Prior code § 133-3)

5.100.040 Public hearing—Publication of notice—Confirmation by mayor.

A. Upon the filing of an application, the license inspector shall fix a time and place for a public hearing thereon. Notice of such hearing shall be given to the applicant and to all persons to whom certificates of public convenience and necessity have been theretofore issued. Due notice shall also be given the general public by posting a notice of such hearing in the Daily Journal at least seven days prior to such hearing, which notice shall be at the expense of the applicant. Any interested person may file with the license inspector a memorandum in support of or opposition to the issuance of a certificate. The procedure set forth in this section and Section 5.100.050 shall not apply to any license in existence as of the date of the final adoption of the ordinance codified in this chapter.

B. In no event, however, shall the approval or denial of an application be considered final until the mayor has confirmed the decision of the license inspector as to approval or disapproval, and the mayor may, after considering the report of the license inspector, act upon his or her recommendation without a public hearing, or he or she may order another public hearing to be held thereon. Notice shall be given in the Daily Journal as set forth in this section in the event that the mayor orders a public hearing. (Prior code § 133-4)

5.100.050 Issuance of certificate—Procedure—Criteria—Permitted ratio.

A. If the license inspector finds that further taxicab service in the city is required by the public convenience and necessity, and that the applicant is fit, willing and able to perform such public transportation and to conform to the provisions of this chapter and the rules promulgated by the license inspector, then the license inspector shall recommend approval, and after confirmation of same by the mayor as hereinafter set forth, he or she shall issue a certificate stating the name and address of the applicant, the number of vehicles authorized under such certificate and the date of issuance; otherwise the application shall be denied.

B. In making the above findings, the license inspector and the mayor shall take into consideration the number of taxicabs already in operation, whether existing transportation is adequate to meet the public need, the location of the designated taxi stand, the probable effect on increased service on local traffic conditions, and the good character, satisfactory experience and responsibility of the applicant. In no event, however, shall the ratio of taxicabs in the city exceed a ratio of one cab to one thousand five hundred (1,500) population in the city, as determined by the last United States Census.

C. Anything contained in this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, the license inspector is authorized to recommend, and the mayor is authorized to confirm, the issuance of not more than fifty (50) additional certificates of necessity and permits thereunder for the sole purpose of accommodating the increased taxicab traffic from that portion of Newark Airport, which was recently opened and which is located within the city. No person, firm or corporation may be issued more than one certificate of necessity and/or permit under this chapter at the present time. Any permit issued under this section shall contain a provision
I. All airport CPCNs and airport permits issued pursuant to the terms of this chapter shall be nontransferrable, with the exception of the following:
   a. An airport CPCN and airport permit may be transferred to a spouse or child of a deceased holder of an airport CPCN and airport permit;
   b. An airport CPCN and airport permit may be transferred back to the city; and/or
   c. An airport CPCN and airport permit may be transferred, one time only, from the individual recipient of the airport CPCN and permit, obtained under the terms of this chapter, to a corporation in which the individual recipient of the airport CPCN and airport permit has one hundred (100) percent interest. Proof, satisfactory to the chief license inspector of the city, of a transfer referred to herein above will be required prior to the transfer.

II. To be eligible to receive an airport CPCN and airport permit pursuant to this chapter, an applicant must be a citizen and/or have proper legal status to own a business and/or to work in the United States of America.

K. The initial administrative processing fee for the additional one hundred thirty-six (136) airport CPCN and airport permits allotted under the terms of this chapter is one thousand dollars ($1000.00) per certificate and one hundred dollars ($100.00) per permit, which fees shall be payable upon issuance. (Ord. 3490 § 1, 2003; prior code § 133-5)

5.100.060 Insurance required.

No certificate of public convenience and necessity shall be issued or continued in operation unless the holder thereof shall comply with all of the provisions of N.J.R.S. 48:16-1 et seq., and N.J.R.S. 39:1-1 et seq., and all other statutes applicable to the operation of taxicabs in the state of New Jersey, including but not limited to all insurance requirements as provided by state law. (Prior code § 133-6)

5.100.070 License fees—Licensing year established—License transfer fee.

A. No certificate shall be issued or continued in operation unless the holder thereof has paid a yearly license fee of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) for the right to engage in the taxicab business and one hundred twenty-five dollars ($125.00) each year for each permit issued for each vehicle operated under a certificate of public convenience and necessity. The license fee shall be for the licensing year and shall be in addition to any other license fees or charges established by proper authority and applicable to the holder or the vehicle or vehicles under his or her operation and control. For purposes of this chapter, the licensing year shall be for a period of one year from April 1st to March 31st of the next ensuing year. The fees shall be turned over to the city treasurer of the city for general revenue purposes.

B. Whenever any license issued under the authority of this chapter is legally transferred person to person, a transfer fee is established, made payable to the city, in the amount of three hundred fifty dollars ($350.00), to be paid by the transferee. (Ord. No. 4149, § 25, 8-24-2010; Prior code § 133-7)

5.100.080 Transfer of certificates or permits—Consent required.

No certificate of public convenience and necessity or permit for a city taxicab or an airport taxicab may be sold, assigned, mortgaged or otherwise transferred without the consent of the supervisor of licenses. (Prior code § 133-8)

5.100.090 Suspension or revocation of certificates or permits—Causes—Procedure—Hearing.

A. A certificate issued under the provisions of this chapter may be revoked or suspended by the license inspector subject to the approval of the mayor, if the holder thereof has:

1. Violated any of the provisions of this chapter.
2. Discontinued operations for more than thirty (30) days, unless for good cause shown.
3. Violated any ordinances of the city or the laws of the United States or the state of New Jersey, the violations of which reflect unfavorably on the fitness of the holder to offer public transportation.

B. Prior to the license inspector recommending to the mayor that the certificate be suspended or revoked, the holder shall be given at least five days' notice of the proposed recommendation and shall have an opportunity to be heard by the license inspector. Upon receipt of the recommendation of the license inspector to suspend or revoke the certificate of the holder, the mayor shall, within thirty (30) days, approve or disapprove the recommendation of the license inspector. Upon written request by the holder, the mayor shall give the holder an opportunity to be heard prior to his or her decision. (Ord. 3343 § 1 (part), 2001; prior code § 133-9)
5.100.160 Display of license, permit and permit number required.

Every driver licensed under this chapter shall have prominently displayed in full view of all passengers:
A. The taxicab operator's license.
B. The taxicab owner's permit.
C. The assigned permit number of each taxicab shall be painted or affixed on the outside of each front door under the word "taxi" and on the rear door, not less than six inches nor more than six inches in height. (Prior code § 133-16)

5.100.170 License suspension or revocation—Procedure—Notice and hearing.

A. The license inspector is given the authority to suspend any driver's license to operate a cab, issued under this chapter, for a driver failing or refusing to comply with the provisions of this chapter, such suspension to last for a period of not more than thirty (30) days. The license inspector is also given authority to recommend the revocation of the driver's license to operate a cab for failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter. However, a license to operate a cab may not be recommended for revocation unless the driver has received a five-day notice by certified or registered mail and has had an opportunity to present evidence in his or her behalf.

B. The decision of the license inspector to revoke shall be considered a recommendation to the mayor, who shall, within thirty (30) days, approve or disapprove the recommendation of the license inspector. A copy of such recommendation shall be forwarded to the licensee, with the reasons for same included therein. The mayor shall give the licensee an opportunity to be heard prior to reaching his or her decision, provided that the mayor receives a written request for a hearing by the holder. (Ord. 3343 § 1 (part), 2001; prior code § 133-17)

5.100.180 Compliance with laws required.

Every driver licensed under this chapter shall comply with all city, state and federal laws. Failure to do so will justify the license inspector to recommend the suspension or revocation of the license. (Prior code § 133-18)

5.100.190 Regulations governing inspections, capacity, equipment and maintenance of vehicles.

A. Initial Inspection. Prior to the use and operation of any vehicle under the provisions of this chapter, the vehicle shall be thoroughly examined and inspected by the transportation inspector and found to comply with such reasonable rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the central license bureau. These rules and regulations shall be promulgated to provide safe transportation and shall specify such safety equipment and regulatory devices as the transportation inspector shall deem necessary therefor. No vehicle shall be presented to the bureau of central license for inspection without first having passed inspection by the New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicles, proof of which is required to be submitted to the bureau of central license at the time of inspection. No vehicle covered under this chapter shall be allowed to service passengers in the city without first having passed inspection by both the New Jersey Division of Motor Vehicles and the city bureau of central license.

B. Capacity. No taxicab for hire operating on the streets of the city shall carry more passengers than the seating capacity as established by the manufacturer for the vehicle, but in no case shall the seating capacity be greater than the number of manufacturer installed seat belts.

C. Periodic Inspections Required. Every vehicle operating under this chapter shall be periodically inspected by the transportation inspector at such intervals as shall be established by the central license bureau to ensure the continued maintenance of safe operating conditions.

D. Maintenance in clean and sanitary condition required. Every vehicle operating under this chapter shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition according to rules and regulations promulgated by the central license bureau.

E. In the event a vehicle governed by the provisions of this chapter fails to pass an inspection for reasons other than mechanical, then, in that event, the use and operation of the vehicle may continue for a period of fourteen (14) days thereafter, at the conclusion of which time the necessary corrections of the noted violations shall be corrected. In the event the violation corrections are not made within the period of fourteen (14) days, then the use and operation of the vehicle thereafter be prohibited until such time as corrective action has been taken to the satisfaction of the central license bureau.

F. In the event that an existing taxicab is permanently removed from service for any reason, it must be
7. Bay Avenue and Terminal Street: Twelve dollars ($12.00).
8. End of Terminal Street: Ten dollars ($10.00).
9. Elizabeth - Port Authority Piers: Fourteen dollars ($14.00).
10. Schedule of fares for service from Newark Liberty International Airport, Terminal A is on file an available in the office of the city clerk.

D. No charge shall be made for shopping bags or packages.

E. No extra charge will be allowed for inclement weather.

F. No extra charge will be allowed for night rates.

G. No extra charge will be allowed for rush hour except when designated per city ordinance.

H. Senior Citizens Discount. All senior citizens who have been issued and in possession of a valid senior citizens reduced-fare identification card issued by the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, shall be entitled to ride at a two dollar ($2.00) discount. If one or more persons not entitled to the reduced-fare rate accompanies a senior citizens reduced-fare identification card issued by the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation, shall be entitled to ride at a two dollar ($2.00) discount. If one or more persons not entitled to the reduced-fare rate accompanies a senior citizens reduced-fare identification card, the reduced-fare rate shall not apply. It is unlawful for an owner or a drier of a taxicab to refuse to provide service to senior citizens who are entitled to receive the reduced-fare rate. (Ord. No. 4374, § 1, 5-28-2013; Ord. 3960 §§ 1, 2, 2008; Ord. 3935 § 1, 2007; prior code § 133-22)

5.100.230 Receipts—Information—When required.

The driver of any taxicab shall, upon demand by the passenger, render to such passenger a receipt for the amount charged, either by a mechanically printed receipt or by a specially prepared receipt on which shall be the name of the owner, license number or motor number, amount of charges, date of transaction and points of pickup and discharge of passengers. (Prior code § 133-23)

5.100.240 Refusal by passenger to pay legal fare unlawful.

It is unlawful for any person to refuse to pay the legal fare of any of the vehicles mentioned in this chapter after having hired the same, and it is unlawful for any person to hire any vehicle herein defined with intent to defraud the person from whom it is hired of the value of such service. (Prior code § 133-24)

5.100.250 Regulations governing solicitation, acceptance and discharge of passengers.

A. Solicitation of Passengers by Driver. No driver shall solicit passengers for a taxicab, except when sitting in the driver's compartment of such taxicab or while standing immediately adjacent to the curbside thereof at the proper designated stand. The driver of any taxicab shall remain in the driver's compartment or immediately adjacent to his or her vehicle at all times when such vehicle is upon the public street, except that when necessary a driver may be absent from his or her taxicab for not more than ten (10) consecutive minutes, and provided further that nothing herein contained shall be held to prohibit any driver from alighting to the street or sidewalk for the purpose of assisting passengers into or out of such vehicle.

B. Prohibited Solicitation. No driver shall solicit patronage in a loud or annoying tone of voice or by sign, or in any manner annoy or obstruct the movement of any persons or follow any person for the purpose of soliciting patronage.

C. Receipt and Discharge of Passengers on Sidewalk only. Drivers of taxicabs shall not receive or discharge passengers in the roadway but shall pull up to the right-hand sidewalk as nearly as possible, or in the absence of a sidewalk, to the extreme right-hand side of the road and there receive or discharge passengers, except upon one-way streets, where passengers may be discharged at either the right- or left-hand sidewalk, or side of the roadway in the absence of a sidewalk.

D. Cruising Prohibited. No driver shall cruise in search of passengers.

E. Solicitation of other Common-Carrier Passengers Prohibited. No driver, owner or operator shall solicit passengers in the terminal of any other common carrier, nor at any intermediate points along any established route of any other common carrier.

F. Additional Passengers. No driver shall permit any other person to occupy or ride in his or her taxicab, unless the person or persons first employing the taxicab shall consent to the acceptance of additional passenger or passengers. No charge shall be made for an addi-
B. A holder operating a call box as provided for in this chapter shall be allowed to have on duty at such stand a dispatcher or other employee for the purpose of assisting in the loading or unloading of passengers from cabs, for receiving calls and dispatching cabs and for soliciting passengers at such stand. The words "at such stand" mean that part of the sidewalk immediately adjacent to, and of equal length with, such call-box stand. It is unlawful for any such dispatcher or other employee to go beyond the area herein designated, for the purpose of soliciting passengers or assisting them in boarding such cabs. (Prior code § 133-27)

5.100.280 Regulations governing two-way radio communication and taxicab dispatchers.

Where two-way radio communication is used, or requests for service are received by telephone and a dispatcher is employed, whether or not on a full- or part-time basis, the dispatcher shall file an application for a dispatcher's license with the central license bureau. The granting of which license shall be subject to all of the provisions of this chapter where applicable. The amount of the fee for the dispatcher shall be five dollars ($5.00), payable annually as herein set forth. In the event that the dispatcher is also either a holder or a licensed driver of a taxicab operating in the city, then no additional fee for his or her use as a dispatcher shall be charged, but the application to act as dispatcher must nevertheless be made. It shall be considered a violation of this chapter if the dispatcher in the course of his or her employment does not identify himself or herself upon request by giving his or her name to anyone seeking services, whether personally or by telephone. All dispatchers must be courteous in their dealings with the public, and shall not use profane language, whether over the two-way radio in dealing with the cab radio or over the telephone when dealing with the public. It is unlawful for a dispatcher to promise services at a given time and destination when in fact adequate facilities are not available at that time to render such services. All taxicab service shall be reasonably prompt and efficient. (Prior code § 133-28)

5.100.300 Taxicab services required.

All persons engaged in the taxicab business in the city operating under the provisions of this chapter shall render an overall service to the public desiring to use taxicabs. Holders of certificates of public convenience and necessity shall maintain a central place of business and keep the same open twenty-four (24) hours a day, or such hours as approved by the central license bureau, for the purpose of receiving calls and dispatching cabs. They shall answer all calls received by them for services inside the corporate limits of Elizabeth as soon as they can do so, and if such services cannot be rendered within a reasonable time, they shall then notify the prospective passengers how long it will be before the call can be answered and give the reason therefor. Any holder who shall refuse to accept a call anywhere in the corporate limits of Elizabeth at any time when such holder has available cabs, or who shall fail or refuse to give overall service, shall be deemed a violator of this chapter, and the certificate granted to such holder shall be revoked at the discretion of the license inspector, subject to the approval of the mayor. (Prior code § 133-30)

5.100.310 Obligations of dispatcher.

All persons engaged in the taxicab business as a dispatcher must, in dealing with the public personally or by telephone or other means of communication, refrain from the use of profane language, and must at all times properly identify themselves by their full name upon request of the public. (Prior code § 133-31)

5.100.320 Manifests.

A. Every driver shall maintain a daily manifest upon which are recorded all trips made each day, showing time and place of origin and destination of each trip and amount of fare, and all such completed manifests shall be re-turned to the owner by the driver at the conclusion of his or her tour of duty. The forms for each manifest shall be furnished to the driver by the owner and shall be of a character approved by the central license bureau.

B. Every holder of a certificate of public convenience and necessity shall retain and preserve all drivers manifests in a safe place for at least the licensing year next preceding the current licensing year, and such manifests shall be available to the transportation inspector or the license inspector. (Prior code § 133-32)
5.100.390  Misleading information prohibited.
No owner or driver of any taxicab shall induce any prospective passenger to employ him or her by knowingly giving misinformation or misleading such prospective passenger by false information, including, but not limited to, the time or place of the arrival or departure of any train or bus, or the location of any hotel, public place or private residence within the city. It is unlawful for an owner or driver of any taxicab to convey a passenger to any other place or over any other route other than that to which such passenger may reasonably instruct the driver to follow. (Prior code § 133-40)

5.100.400  Use for illegal or immoral purposes prohibited.
The use of a taxicab for illegal or immoral purposes is prohibited, and any owner or taxicab driver that knowingly permits or allows the use of a taxicab for such purposes shall be deemed in violation of this chapter. (Prior code § 133-41)

5.100.410  Examination of taxicab after discharge of passengers.
Every taxicab driver, immediately after the termination of any hire or employment, must carefully search and examine such taxicab for any property lost or left behind therein, and any such property, unless sooner claimed or delivered to the lawful owner, must be reported to and given to the department of police of the city for disposition according to law. (Prior code § 133-42)

5.100.420  Dispatcher’s logbook—Information and maintenance required.
Every holder of a taxicab dispatcher license shall keep a logbook solely for the purpose of recording the time of each request for service and the dispatching of the cab, the destination to which a taxicab is dispatched and the number of taxicabs providing the service, and the name of the taxicab driver operating the vehicle on that tour of duty. This logbook shall be available for inspection at all times at the office of the holder, by the license inspector, the transportation inspector and the department of police of the city. The information in the logbook must be in legible print, ink, and the book must be maintained at the business address of the taxicab owner. No book shall be destroyed for a period of three consecutive licensing years. (Prior code § 133-43)

5.100.430  Rate schedule book.
A. All taxicabs licensed in accordance with this chapter are required to have located therein, at all times, a rate schedule book published and furnished by the city. The operator of any taxicab shall, upon request of any passenger, exhibit the rate schedule book for inspection and verification of the rate to be charged for the particular fare in question.

B. The central license bureau is authorized to charge a fee of three dollars ($3.00) per rate schedule book to all owners and operators of taxicabs, as well as to any member of the public who wishes to purchase same. (Prior code § 133-45)

5.100.440  List of employees required.
It shall be a mandatory requirement that all city and airport taxicab owners provide the central license division with a list of all full time and part time employees, including dispatchers and all part time and full time drivers, which shall contain their names, addresses, telephone numbers, driver’s license numbers and taxicab driver’s license numbers. This list must be provided upon renewal of the owner’s taxicab applications in March of every year. The list must be updated within five working days of any employee’s or driver’s employment or termination at all times necessary throughout the year. (Ord. 3355 § 5, 2001: prior code § 133-46)

5.100.450  Violation—Penalty.
A. Any person who violates any provision of this chapter shall be subject to Section 1.12.010 of this code.

B. In addition to the penalty provided in subsection A of this section, the license inspector may recommend the suspension or revocation, and the mayor may suspend or revoke the licenses enumerated in this chapter as provided in this chapter. (Prior code § 133-44)