

fifty dollars, shall be entitled to receive a license to act as inspector of leather for the term of one year from the date thereof.

425. The person applying for such license shall, at the time of receiving the same, take and subscribe before said clerk an oath that he will honestly and faithfully discharge the duties of said office.

426. No person engaged in the manufacturing, trading in or vending leather, individually or as a partner, or as agent, clerk or employee of a manufacturer or vendor of or trader in leather, shall be entitled to a license to act as inspector of leather.

427. Any person may sell, export or otherwise dispose of any leather without having the same inspected, but in all cases of difference between the buyer and seller as to the quality of any leather, either party may call in an inspector, and his judgment, unless appealed from as allowed by this article, shall bind the parties.

428. It shall be the duty of every inspector so licensed to provide himself with such and so many proper scales, weights, and stamps as may be required in the performance of the duties of his office, and he shall upon request inspect any sole leather, rough harness or rough skirting leather within the city of Baltimore, and the manner of inspection shall be as follows, viz.: each side of leather shall be accurately weighed, and the weight thereof shall be branded or stamped thereon in plain strong and legible figures, expressing the number of pounds and quarter pounds, (if any,) and the quality of each side shall also be stamped or branded thereon in plain strong and legible letters to the following criteria or distinctions, that is to say: if the side is of good quality of hide and of the best manufacture, there shall be stamped or branded upon it, the word best; if the side be of good quality of hide and of good manufacture, the word good; if the side be of good quality of hide but of bad manufacture, the word bad; and if the side is damaged, the word damaged; there shall also be stamped or branded on each side inspected the surname of the inspector and the word Baltimore.

429. Any such inspector shall refuse to inspect any leather which is unmerchantably dark, but in all cases in which any side or sides of leather so inspected shall fall short of the inspection weight marked thereon, equal to five per cent., the inspector