

The reference to a "building or part of a building" is substituted for the former reference to a "place of storage" for clarity and to distinguish a garage from a parking lot.

The general term "motor vehicle" is substituted for the former reference to an "automobile, locomobile, or any vehicle of any kind the motive power of which shall be electricity, steam, gas, gasoline or any other motive power except animals and aircraft" for brevity and clarity.

The former reference to vehicles being stored "permanently or temporarily" is deleted as surplusage.

(C) GARAGE LICENSE.

"GARAGE LICENSE" MEANS A LICENSE ISSUED BY THE CLERK TO KEEP A GARAGE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to avoid repetition of phrases such as "license to keep a garage".

Defined terms: "Clerk" § 1-101
"Garage" § 17-801

17-802. LICENSE REQUIRED.

A PERSON MUST HAVE A GARAGE LICENSE WHENEVER THE PERSON KEEPS A GARAGE IN THE STATE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 56, § 160(a)(1) and (2), as they related to the requirement to get a license.

It is rephrased in standard language to state affirmatively that a person must be licensed to keep a garage in the State.

The former references to keeping a garage for "the hire, storage or sale of automobiles" is deleted as unnecessary in light of the defined term "garage". The defined term does not include the notion of the sale of automobiles and case law interpreting former Art. 56, § 160 confirms that an automobile salesroom is not a garage. See Noll v. Comptroller of Treasury, 253 Md. 270 (1969); Montgomery County Motor Co. v. State, 147 Md. 232 (1925).

Defined terms: "Garage" § 17-801
"Garage license" § 17-801
"Person" § 1-101

17-803. LICENSE FEES.

(A) IN GENERAL.

(1) AN APPLICANT FOR A GARAGE LICENSE SHALL PAY TO THE CLERK A LICENSE FEE BASED ON THE FLOOR AREA OF EACH GARAGE.