CHAPTER VIII
COMMERCE

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8-1 Authority to Enact Chapter

This Chapter was duly adopted by the Legislative Body of the Town, the Selectboard, in accordance with 24 V.S.A. 2291 (11), (14)

8-2 Purpose of Chapter

This Chapter has been adopted for the purpose of protecting public health, safety and welfare, preserving public order, regulating entertainments, and abating public nuisances.

8-3 Definitions

Fissionable source material shall mean uranium or thorium, or any combination thereof, in any physical or chemical form; or ores that contain by weight one-hundredth of one percent (0.01%) or more of uranium, thorium or any combination thereof.

Game table shall mean any billiards table, shuffleboard table, bumper pool table, foosball table, air hockey table, or other similar equipment.

Drug paraphernalia shall mean any device designed primarily for use of individuals for the smoking or ingestion of marijuana, hashish, hashish oil, cocaine or any other illegal controlled substances.

Video game machine shall mean any computerized device that accepts or requires tokens, coins, currency, debit cards, credit cards, vouchers or credits purchased with money or otherwise requires a fee to operate.

8-4 Game Table and Video Game Machine Restrictions

(1) Commercial properties in the Town of Manchester shall be limited to having not more than two game tables and not more than four video game machines.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection 1 of this section, the Selectboard, by majority vote, may approve more than two game tables and more than four video game machines for a commercial property at a warned public meeting.

(3) A violation of this section shall be considered a Second Degree civil violation.
8-5  Sale of Marijuana - prohibition

(1)  It shall be illegal to sell or distribute marijuana in the Town of Manchester.

(2)  A violation of this section shall be considered a First Degree civil violation.

8-6  Mining and Milling of Fissionable Source Materials

(1)  The mining and milling of uranium or any fissionable source materials shall be prohibited in the Town of Manchester.

(2)  A violation of this section shall be considered a First Degree civil violation.

8-7  Businesses Selling Firearms

(1)  Any business that is permitted after the enactment date of this Chapter that sells, buys or trades firearms and holds a valid federal firearms license shall not be located within 1,000 feet of a property line of an existing public or private elementary school, middle school, high school, vocational school or daycare center.

(2)  A violation of this section shall be considered a First Degree civil violation.

8-8  Sale of Drug Paraphernalia Near Schools

(1)  Any business that is permitted after the enactment date of this Chapter that sells drug paraphernalia shall not be located within 1,000 feet of a property line of an existing public or private elementary school, middle school, high school, vocational school or daycare center.

(2)  A violation of this section shall be considered a First Degree civil violation.

8-9  Enforcement

Sworn officers of the Manchester Police Department are hereby designated as the enforcement authority for this Chapter; provided, that Section 6, shall be enforced by the Municipal Compliance Officer.
Chair of the Selectboard

Attested, Town of Manchester Town Clerk:

Town Clerk

11-15-2016
Date of Enactment by Selectboard