

## **Chapter 84**

### **ENTERTAINMENT ESTABLISHMENTS**

#### **ARTICLE I**

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#### **GENERAL REFERENCES**

**Amusements - See Ch. 47.**  
**Public assemblies - See Ch. 51.**

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**Indecent Exposure**  
**[Adopted 7-9-86 as L.L. No. 3-1986]**

**§ 84-1. Purpose.**

It is hereby declared to be the policy of the Town of Patterson, State of New York, that, in order to preserve public peace and good order and to safeguard the health, safety, welfare and morals within the incorporated area of the Town of Patterson, it is necessary to regulate and control the operations and conduct of places of public assembly conducted as cabarets, bars or lounges, dance halls, discotheques or the like so as to fix certain responsibilities and duties of persons owning, operating or controlling such establishments.

**§ 84-2. Definitions.**

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

BAR and/or LOUNGE - Any place of public assembly in which the business of directly or indirectly selling and/or serving drinks to the public is conducted and in which any musical entertainment, singing, dancing in a designated area or other form of amusement is also permitted and shall include such a room, place or space which provides incidental musical entertainment by mechanical devices, with or without dancing.

CABARET - Any place of public assembly in which the business of directly or indirectly selling or serving food, drinks or alcoholic beverages to the public is conducted and in which any musical entertainment, singing, dancing in a designated area or other form of amusement is also permitted and shall include such a room, place or space which provides incidental musical entertainment by mechanical devices, with or without dancing.

DANCE HALL - Any place of public assembly in which dancing is carried on and to which the public may gain admittance either with or without payment of a fee.

DISCOTHEQUE AND THE LIKE - Any place of public assembly in which the business of directly or indirectly selling and/or serving food, drinks and/or alcoholic beverages to the public is conducted, in which dancing is carried on by any musical entertainment and to which the public may gain admission either with or without the payment of a fee.

PERSON - Any individual, partnership, club, association, corporation, society or any other organized group of persons and shall include the officers, directors, stockholders and trustees of a club, corporation, association or society.

PLACES OF PUBLIC ASSEMBLY - A room, place or space which is occupied for recreational, amusement, social, sports or similar purposes or any building, shed or enclosure, whether indoor or outdoor, coming within the occupancy and other similar classifications of this section, as determined

by the officer charged with the enforcement of this Article. For the purpose of interpretation, the term “public assembly,” where used in this Article, shall include the terms “ public assembly” or “assembly” as may be used in other codes, laws, ordinances, rules or regulations, as may be applicable in the Town of Patterson.

**§ 84-3. Restrictions on employees.**

A. It shall be unlawful for any person conducting, maintaining or operating a cabaret, bar and/or lounge, dance hall or discotheque establishment or any other place of public assembly within the Town of Patterson to suffer or permit any waitress, barmaid, entertainer or other person who comes in contact with or appears before, or is likely to come in contact with or appear before, patrons of the establishment, or for any person to appear in the presence of such patrons, with breasts uncovered in such a manner that the portion of the breast below the top of the areola is not covered with a fully opaque covering or with the lower part of the torso uncovered or so thinly covered or draped as to appear uncovered or to appear, or suffer or permit any person to appear, in any scene, sketch, act or entertainment with breasts or the lower part of the torso uncovered or so thinly draped as to appear uncovered.

B. References to breasts in this section refer to females only. References to the lower part of the torso refer to both male and female.

**§ 84-4. Penalties for offenses.**

Any person who shall violate any provision of this Article shall be guilty of a violation punishable by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000.) or imprisonment for a period not to exceed fifteen (15) days, or both. Each day's continued violation shall constitute a separate violation.