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# **PERMIT LAW**

OF THE

# **MUSKOGEE NATION,**

**APPROVED NOVEMBER 5, 1900.**

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On each hotel affording accommodations for less than 20 guests.....	12 00
On each printing office.....	12 00
On each oil, grist or flouring mill.....	24 00
On each cotton gin.....	24 00
On each livery and feed stable.....	24 00
On each feed stable or yard.....	12 00
On each dray or freight wagon or passenger hack, other than those owned by livery stables paying as such.....	12 00
On each blacksmith or wagon shop.....	12 00
On each insurance agent, (Life or Fire).....	50 00
On each physician having certificate from the National medical board.....	25 00
On each dentist having diploma.....	25 00
On each butcher shop, selling meat only.....	24 00
On each restaurant or lunch stand.....	12 00
On each laundry or laundry agency.....	12 00
On each barber shop.....	12 00
On each bakery and confectionery or lemonade and ice cream stand.....	12 00
On each merry go round.....	24 00
On each gun smith, tinsmith, locksmith or watch re-pairer.....	12 00
On each lawyer.....	25 00
On each tombstone or marble dealer.....	12 00
On each shooting gallery.....	12 00
On each billiard and pool table.....	5 00
On each show or concert in hall or tent, per day.....	5 00
On each circus without menagerie, per day.....	10 00
On each circus and menagerie combined, per day.....	25 00
On each banking establishment one half of 1 per cent. of capital stock invested—assessment to be made on the bank on account of the shares thereof.	
On each peddler, street or traveling vendor, 5 per cent. of goods offered for sale.	
On each establishment selling non-intoxicating ales, tonics, meads or any other form of drink intended as a substitute for malt or spirituous liquors .....	100 00

SEC. 2. Should any person refuse to pay the tax herein provided when due and when demand is made, or should any

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BE IT ENACTED by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation:

SECTION 1. That all persons who are not citizens by blood of the Muskogee Nation, or who have not been adopted by the Muskogee Nation, and whose names do not appear on authenticated rolls of the Muskogee Nation, who shall desire to engage in any manner of business in the Muskogee Nation shall obtain the consent of the United States Government, and shall pay to the United States Indian Agent, at Union Agency, Muskogee, Indian Territory, for the benefit of the Muskogee Nation, the annual permit tax hereinafter fixed; the same to be paid quarterly, in advance in all cases, except where based on the cost of goods offered. Quarters to begin January first, April first, July first and October first of each year.

All legitimate business houses of whatsoever character or capacity engaged in the sale of all manner of dry goods, groceries, provisions, hardware, lumber, drugs, millinery, leather goods, or any other articles known or designated as merchandise, shall pay an annual tax of one-half of 1 per cent. of the first cost of all goods offered for sale, excepting such goods as have been actually produced in the Muskogee Nation, or shall have been bought within the limits of the Nation, from a trader who shall have previously paid this tax of one-half of 1 per cent. of such goods; all payments to be accompanied by sworn statements, said statements to be verified by personal inspection by a proper Inspector of the original invoices or the books of the trader.

The rate of taxation on all other classes of business shall be as follows:

On each dealer in hides, peltries, furs, wool, pecans, and other country produce.....	\$ 50 00
On each hotel affording accommodations for 30 or more guests.....	36 00
On each hotel affording accommodations for 20 or more guest.....	24 00

person refuse to permit a personal inspection to be had of original invoices, books, etc., such person shall be reported to the proper authorities for removal from Muskogee Nation.

Failure to pay within ten days after tax is due and demand has been made shall constitute a refusal to pay.

SEC. 3. This act shall become a law upon the approval of the President of the United States, and shall be in full force and effect from and after ~~January~~ first, 1901.

All laws heretofore enacted by the National Council of the Muskogee Nation, relating to permit tax, which are in conflict with this act, are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. All classes of business in operation or which may hereafter be established in this Nation, not included in the above list, shall be assessed by the Principal Chief, subject to the approval of the United States Indian Agent.

APPROVED Nov. 5, 1900.

P. PORTER,  
Principal Chief.

Approved by

WILLIAM McKINLEY,  
November 22, 1900.

Creek Law relating to  
taxation of non-citizens  
engaged in business.