

## New York - Buffalo

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### Summary

License is not required for debt buyers.

### Resources

Licensing Information:

[https://www.ci.buffalo.ny.us/Home/City\\_Departments/EDPIS/Licenses/LicenseApplicationsCodeRequirements](https://www.ci.buffalo.ny.us/Home/City_Departments/EDPIS/Licenses/LicenseApplicationsCodeRequirements)

Municipal Code: [http://www.e-codes.generalcode.com/codes/1237\\_A/1237-140.pdf](http://www.e-codes.generalcode.com/codes/1237_A/1237-140.pdf)

### Statutory Provisions

Sec. 140-1. License required.

No person, firm or corporation shall collect, advertise to collect, attempt to collect or hold himself for itself out as able or willing to collect, for hire or remuneration in any form, any bill, debt, demand, sum of money or other thing of value due or claimed to be due or owing to any other person, firm or corporation or conduct the business commonly known as a "collection agency" without first having obtained a license so to do as hereinafter set forth, provided, however, that the provisions of this chapter shall not apply to an attorney at law engaged in the practice of his profession; to any banker, bank or banking institution acting within the limits of his or its authority as prescribed by law; nor to any person, group of persons, firm or corporation engaged in the collection only of debts, demands, sums of money or things of value which are the exclusive property of the person, group of persons, firm or corporation attempting to make such collection.