**Section 520.60 Permits**

a) No one shall establish a junkyard, any portion of which is within 1000 feet of the nearest edge of the right of way of a controlled highway, without first obtaining a permit from the Illinois Department of Transportation.

b) Issuance of Permits

1) Yards in zoned or unzoned industrial areas which were in existence as of July 24, 1967, must obtain a permit within 30 days after notice from the Department.

2) Yards located outside of zoned or unzoned industrial areas which were in existence as of July 24, 1967, will be issued a permit after they have been screened or relocated to a conforming area.

c) When a yard is operated under (a) or (b) above without a valid permit or an operator fails to renew a permit subsequent to written notification, the Department shall take whatever legal action is necessary to abate the nuisance.

d) Renewal of Permits

1) Permits must be renewed by the owner by January 1st of each year subsequent to their initial issuance. Each yard will be inspected prior to renewal of the permit, and, if it is found to no longer be in compliance with the Act or these Rules, the existing permit will become void upon written notification by the Department.

2) When a permit is voided, a new permit will not be issued until such corrective action as necessary is taken by the owner or owners to bring the yard into compliance. If, after a reasonable length of time, the yard is not brought into compliance, the Department shall take whatever legal action is necessary to abate the nuisance created by noncompliance.

e) The application for a permit or the permit renewal shall be requested by completing the "Application for Junkyard or Scrap Processing Facility Permit for Federal-Aid Primary or Interstate Highway" form and submitting it to the responsible District office of the Department of Transportation.

f) The Department shall not charge for the permit or the permit renewal.