

TITLE XIII: GENERAL OFFENSES

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appurtenant thereto, municipal parking lots, public parks, playgrounds, recreational areas, tennis courts, and other athletic fields.

(C) Possession of Open Containers on the Public Streets and on Municipal Property Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person who is not an occupant of a motor vehicle to possess any open container of malt beverage and/or unfortified wine on the public streets. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful for any person to possess any open container of malt beverage and/or unfortified wine on any property, whether located inside or outside the corporate limits, owned, occupied, or controlled by the town including, but not limited to, public buildings and the grounds appurtenant thereto, municipal parking lots, public parks, playgrounds, recreational areas, tennis courts, and other athletic fields.

§ 130.01 DISTURBING PUBLIC MEETINGS.

It shall be unlawful to behave in a loud, boisterous, or indecent manner at, or to create any disturbance whatsoever at any public meeting.

('75 Code, Ch. H, Art. 1, § 3) (Ord., passed 5-13-80) Penalty, see § 10.99

Statutory reference:

Disruptions of official meetings, see G.S. § 143-318.17

§ 130.02 CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN PUBLIC.

(A) Definitions. For the purpose of this chapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

"MALT BEVERAGE." Beer, lager, malt liquor, ale, porter, and any other brewed or fermented beverage containing at least 0.5% and not more than 6% alcohol by volume. (G.S. 18B-101(9))

"OPEN CONTAINER." A container whose seal has been broken or a container other than the manufacturer's unopened original container. (G.S. 18B-300(c))

"PUBLIC STREET." Any highway, road, street, avenue, boulevard, alley, bridge, or other way within and/or under the control of the town and open to public use, including the sidewalks of any such street.

"UNFORTIFIED WINE." Wine that has an alcoholic content produced only by natural fermentation or by the addition of pure cane, beet, or dextrose sugar, and that has an alcoholic content of not more than 17% alcohol by volume. (G.S. 18B-101(15))

(B) Consumption on the Public Streets and on Municipal Property Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person who is not an occupant of a motor vehicle to consume malt beverages and/or unfortified wine on the public streets. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful for any person to consume malt beverages and/or unfortified wine on any property, whether located inside or outside the corporate limits, owned, occupied, or controlled by the town including, but not limited to, public buildings and grounds

(D) Possession During Special Events Prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to possess malt beverages and/or unfortified wine on public streets, alleys, or parking lots which are temporarily closed to regular traffic for special events, unless the governing body adopts a resolution making other provisions for the possession of malt beverages and/or unfortified wine at the special event.

(E) Exemptions. Possession and consumption of malt beverages and/or unfortified wine shall be permitted within a building or premises on town-owned property where appropriate permits have been obtained as required by law for the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages for the period of time permitted thereunder. (Ord. 95-169, passed 12-12-95) Penalty, see § 10.99

Statutory reference:

Possession of alcoholic beverages, see G.S. § 18B-301(c)

§ 130.03 DISCHARGE OF BOWS AND ARROWS.

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the discharge of bows and arrows within the corporate limits of the Town. ('75 Code, Ch. H, Art. II, § 4) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 130.04 BEGGING OR SOLICITING ALMS BY ACCOSTING OR FORCING ONESELF UPON COMPANY OF ANOTHER; PROHIBITED CONDUCT.

(A) Prohibited Conduct While Begging or Soliciting Alms. It shall be unlawful for any person to ask, beg or solicit alms or contributions, or exhibit oneself for the purpose of begging or soliciting alms or contributions, by:

(1) Accosting another, or

(2) Forcing oneself upon the company of another.

(B) Definitions. For the purpose of this section, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

"ACCOSTING." Approaching or speaking to someone in such manner as would cause a reasonable person to fear imminent bodily harm or the commission of a criminal act upon his or her person, or upon property in his or her immediate possession.

"ASK, BEG or SOLICIT." Includes, without limitation, the spoken, written or printed word or such other acts as are conducted in furtherance or the purpose of obtaining alms or contributions.

"FORCING ONESELF UPON THE COMPANY OF ANOTHER."

(1) Continuing to request, beg or solicit alms in close proximity to the person addressed after the person to whom the request is directed has made a negative response, or

(2) Blocking the passage of the person addressed, or

(3) Otherwise engaging in conduct which could reasonably be construed as intended to compel or force a person to accede to demands.

(Ord. 01-344, passed 4-10-01) Penalty, see § 10.99

Section

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§ 131.01 INJURING PROPERTY OF TOWN.

It shall be unlawful to injure, damage, destroy, deface, or trespass upon any property belonging to the Town. ('75 Code, Ch. H, Art. IV, § 2) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 131.02 POSTING SIGNS ON TREES AND POLES.

It shall be unlawful to post any sign, advertisement, picture, or poster on any shade tree or on any electric, telephone, or telegraph pole, or otherwise on any street right-of-way of the Town. ('75 Code, Ch. H, Art. IV, § 4) Penalty, see § 10.99

§ 131.03 LITTERING.

It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, drop, or leave any paper, bottles, cans, containers of any other type, or any other litter on any public or private properties within the corporate limits of the Town, unless prior permission has been given by the proper person, except within an appropriate designated container. ('75 Code, Ch. H, Art. IV, § 5) Penalty, see § 10.99

Statutory reference:

Littering; dumping litter, see G.S.
§§ 14-399 and 14-399.1

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