

CHAPTER 10
PUBLIC NUISANCES

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10.01 PUBLIC NUISANCES PROHIBITED. No person shall erect, contrive, cause, continue, maintain or permit to exist any public nuisance within the Town.

10.02 PUBLIC NUISANCE DEFINED. A public nuisance is a thing, act, occupation, condition or use of property which continues for such length of time as to:

- (1) Substantially annoy, injure or endanger the comfort, health, repose or safety of the public.
- (2) In any way render the public insecure in life or in the use of property.
- (3) Greatly offend the public morals or decency.
- (4) Unlawfully and substantially interfere with, obstruct or tend to obstruct, or render dangerous for passage any street, alley, highway, navigable body of water or other public way or the use of public property.

10.03 PUBLIC NUISANCES AFFECTING HEALTH. The following acts, omissions, places, conditions and things are specifically declared to be public health nuisances; but such enumeration shall not be construed to exclude other health nuisances coming within the definition of SS10.02:

- (1) ADULTERATED FOOD. All decayed, adulterated or unwholesome food or drink sold or offered for sale to the public.
- (2) CARCASSES, UNBURIED. Carcasses of animals, birds or fowl not intended for human consumption or food which are not buried or otherwise disposed of in a sanitary manner with 24 hours after death.
- (3) INSECTS OR VERMIN, BREEDING PLACES FOR. Accumulations of decayed animal or vegetable matter, trash, rubbish, rotting lumber, bedding, packing material, scrap metal or any material in which flies, mosquitoes, disease carrying insects, rats or other vermin can breed.
- (4) PRIVY VAULTS AND GARBAGE CANS. Privy vaults and garbage cans which are not flytight.
- (5) WEEDS, NOXIOUS. All noxious weeds and other rank growth of vegetation. All weeds and grass shall be kept cut to a height not to exceed one foot.

(6) POLLUTION, WATER. The pollution of any public well or cistern, stream, lake, canal or other body of water by sewage, creamery or industrial wastes or other substances.

(7) POLLUTION, STREET. Any use of property which causes any noxious or unwholesome liquid or substance to flow into or upon any street, gutter, alley, sidewalk or public place within the Town.

(8) ANIMALS, LOOSE. Any animals running at large in the Town.