

Chapter 44
BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS

§ 44-1. Prohibited acts; definitions.

§ 44-3. Violations and penalties.

§ 44-2. Notice of violation; performance of work by borough; municipal claims.

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Seven Valleys 7-10-1989 by Ord. No. 89-1. Amendments noted where applicable.]

§ 44-1. Prohibited acts; definitions.

No person owning, occupying or having any present interest in any real estate within the Borough of Seven Valleys shall permit any weeds or similar vegetation which is not edible or planted for some useful purpose, to grow or remain upon such premises so as to exceed a height of 12 inches; and no such person shall permit any such weeds or similar vegetation to grow or remain upon such premises to any height, which may be less than 12 inches, so as to throw off any unpleasant or noxious odors, so as to conceal any filthy deposit, or so as to create or produce pollen. As used in this chapter, the term person shall mean any natural person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, or organization or entity of any kind whatsoever.

§ 44-2. Notice of violation; performance of work by borough; municipal claims.

The Borough Mayor, any police officer of the borough, or any official or other person designated by the Borough Council, are hereby authorized to give notice in writing to the owner, occupant or other person having a present interest of any premises whereon weeds or similar vegetation are growing or remain in violation of the provisions of this chapter, directing and requiring such person to remove, trim or cut such weeds or similar vegetation so as to conform to the requirements of this chapter within five days after issuance of such notice. In the event any person fails to comply with such notice, the borough may cause the same to be removed, trimmed or cut, and the cost thereof, together with a penalty of 10%, shall be paid by such person, and the borough may file the amount of the same in the Office of the Prothonotary of York County, Pennsylvania as a lien against the real estate involved, and may collect the same in the manner provided by law for the filing and collecting of municipal claims. The Borough of Seven Valleys may proceed in any other manner for enforcement of this chapter or collection of any amounts which may be due hereunder, and nothing herein contained shall be construed to limit the remedies of the borough.

§ 44-3. Violations and penalties. [Amended 11-6-1989 by Ord. No. 89-2¹]

Any person, corporation, partnership, company, or other entity who shall violate the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction before a District Justice, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000, together with the costs of prosecution, and in default thereof, be sentenced to imprisonment in the York County Prison for a period of not more than 30 days. The aforesaid fine and costs shall be in addition to, and separate from, the right of the borough to collect any other costs or expenses authorized by this chapter. Each day's violation shall constitute a separate offense, and notice to the offender shall not be necessary in order to constitute an offense.

¹ Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I).