

# CHAPTER 12: HEALTH AND SANITATION

Article

## I. IN GENERAL

Notes

- <sup>1</sup> Cross-reference:  
Solid Waste, Ch. 11; Nuisances, Ch. 14; Human and animal waste, dead animals, § 12-106;  
throwing or burning trash on streets prohibited, § 19-101.  
Statutory reference:  
Regulating and licensing businesses, G.S. § 160A-194

### ARTICLE I: IN GENERAL

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#### § 12-101 BUTCHERING RESTRICTED.

- (A) No person shall butcher any cattle, hogs, or sheep within the corporate limits of the town.
- (B) This section shall not apply to persons that butcher cattle, or hogs or sheep, for non-commercial home purposes.
- (C) Bona fide farms may slaughter animals a maximum of six days per year; provided, that such activities shall be accessory to the primary bona fide farm use. This subsection (C) does not authorize commercial animal slaughtering operations, which are permitted only to the extent they are allowed by Chapter 17, "Planning, Zoning, and Subdivision Control", of this code.

(Code 1976, § 9.7)

**Cross-reference:**

*Livestock, §§ 4-501 et seq.*

**Statutory reference:**

*Meat inspection and slaughtering, G.S. Ch. 106, Art. 49B.*

#### § 12-102 REMOVAL OF STAGNANT WATERS.

Stagnant water in cellars, or upon lots, shall be removed on notice from the Town Manager, or his or her designee, to the person permitting the same to remain.

(Code 1976, § 9.8)

#### § 12-103 BUSINESSES TO BE KEPT IN SANITARY CONDITION.

All persons doing business in the town shall keep their premises in a sanitary condition. Garbage, including fish boxes, decayed meats, fruits, vegetables, or any other thing which attracts flies, or creates offensive odors, shall be made ready for regular trash pickup by the town.

(Code 1976, § 9.10)

**Cross-reference:**

*Businesses and Trades, Ch. 6; Solid Wastes, Ch. 11.*

#### § 12-104 TOWN WATER TANK.

It shall be unlawful for any person, other than persons employed by the town, to climb up the water tank in the town.

(Code 1976, § 9.13) Penalty, see § 1-111

**Cross-reference:**

*Water system, §§ 21-201 et seq.*

**§ 12-105 SWINE.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to maintain a hog pen, hog lot, or other enclosure for swine within 150 feet of any residence.

(Code 1976, § 9.14) Penalty, see § 1-111

**Cross-reference:**

*Animals, Ch. 4.*

**Statutory reference:**

*Feeding garbage to swine, G.S. §§ 106-405.1 et seq.*

**§ 12-106 HUMAN AND ANIMAL WASTE; DEAD ANIMALS.**

(A) It shall be unlawful for any person to urinate or deposit any human waste on any street, lot, or premises except in an approved sanitary facility. No butcher, fishmonger, huckster, or vendor of merchandise of any kind shall leave any solid waste on the streets, or uncovered by earth, on the lots of the town. All putrid or decayed animals, or vegetable matter, must be removed from all cellars and outbuildings at least once every 48 hours during the months of May, June, July, August, and September, and at least once a week during the other months of the year.

(B) No animal that died by disease or accident, and no meat therefrom, nor any animal or meat therefrom killed while feverish, bruised, disabled, injured with broken bones, or otherwise heavy with young, jaded, or fatigued from long driving or shipping, or killed, or kept, in some building, or in so close proximity with fumes of gas, or disease, or spoiled meat as to become contaminated therefrom, or rendered unwholesome or unhealthy thereby, or manipulated with tools used on diseased, or other dead, carcasses as aforesaid, shall be brought into town, held, or offered for sale as food therein.

(C) Owners of animals dying in the town, weighing less than 40 pounds, shall, upon notice of their death, immediately contact the Public Works Department for removal of same.

(Code 1976, § 9.4) (Ord. 5-90, passed 3-5-1990) Penalty, see §1-111

**Cross-reference:**

*Animals, Ch. 4; Solid Wastes, Ch. 11.*

**Statutory reference:**

*Meat inspection and slaughtering, G.S. Ch. 106, Art. 49B and 49D.*