

Chapter 80
BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Dormont 7-2-1990 as Ord. No. 1392. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Trees — See Ch. 190.

§ 80-1. Declaration of nuisances.

The growth of grass, weeds or obnoxious plants to a height in excess of eight (8) inches on any land within the Borough of Dormont is hereby declared to be a nuisance and detrimental to the health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the borough. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the existence of grass or obnoxious weeds in excess of eight (8) inches in height upon any individual lot or piece of property or upon any part thereof which is within one hundred fifty (150) feet of any existing dwelling or structure shall be deemed a nuisance hereunder and may be abated pursuant to procedures hereinafter provided.

§ 80-2. Excessive growth.

No person or persons, firm or corporation owning or occupying any land within the Borough of Dormont shall permit growth on said land of the grass, weeds or obnoxious plants to a height in excess of eight (8) inches.

§ 80-3. Notice to remove, trim or cut.

The Borough Manager shall give written notice to correct the aforementioned condition by first class mail, postage prepaid, sent to the owner or occupier of the property where such condition exists or by having the notice hand-delivered to an adult person at the premises of the owner of said property or by posting said notice at the door of the owner's premises or at the door of the premises of any occupier of the land within the borough where the growth of grass, weeds or obnoxious plants is in violation of this chapter. Said owner or occupier shall remove, trim or cut the grass, weeds or obnoxious plants as to conform to the requirements of this chapter within five (5) days from the delivery of said written notice.

§ 80-4. Failure to comply.

In the case that any owner or occupant fails to comply with the notice provided in § 80-3 above, the Borough Manager shall proceed to have the grass, weeds or obnoxious plants cut and removed and the Borough Manager shall charge said owner or occupant, the actual cost of the borough and the labor involved and the use of equipment, together with the penalty of ten percent (10%) of the actual cost or fifty dollars (\$50.), whichever is greater. Any charges remaining unpaid after thirty (30) days will be noticed and turned over to the Borough Solicitor for collection in the manner provided by law for the collection of municipal claims or by action in assumpsit.

§ 80-5. Violations and penalties.

Any person or persons, firm or corporation or other entity whatsoever violating any provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a penalty of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.) and not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.), plus the costs of prosecution for each and every offense. Each day of violation shall be considered a separate and distinct offense.