

ARTICLE 6 SANITATION

Section 6.1 Purpose

The purpose of this Article is to prohibit the throwing or depositing of litter in public places in the Town of Glen Echo; control the depositing of litter on private premises; provide a lien for Town clearance; and prescribe penalties for the violation of its provisions.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)

Section 6.2 Definitions

- A.** “Garbage” is putrescible animal and vegetable wastes resulting from the handling, preparation, cooking and consumption of food.
- B.** “Litter” is “garbage,” “refuse,” and “rubbish” as defined herein and all other waste material which, if thrown or deposited as herein prohibited, tends to create a danger to public health, safety and welfare.
- C.** “Lot” is the land designated as a separate and distinct lot or parcel of land on a legally recorded subdivision plat or deed filed among the land records of the County. Where a distinct tract of land is comprised of more than one (1) lot or parts thereof as shown on a subdivision plat or tax map, the separate lots and parts of lots shall constitute one (1) lot.
- D.** “Park” is a park, playground, recreation center or any other public area in the Town owned or used by the Town and devoted to active or passive recreation.
- E.** “Refuse” is all putrescible and nonputrescible solid wastes, including garbage, rubbish, ashes, street cleanings, dead animals, abandoned automobiles, and solid market and industrial wastes.
- F.** “Rubbish” is all putrescible and nonputrescible solid wastes consisting of both combustible and noncombustible wastes, such as paper, wrappings, cigarettes, cardboard, tin cans, yard clippings, leaves, wood, glass, bedding, crockery and similar materials.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)

Section 6.2.1 Refuse Removal

The Town may provide for the regular removal of household refuse from each residence within the Town of Glen Echo. In addition, the Town may contract for removal of lawn and tree trimmings, furniture, appliances and building materials at its expense or at the expense, in whole or in part, of the resident or owner of the property from which the material is removed.

(Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)

Section 6.3 Litter in Public Places

No person shall throw, deposit, or create conditions that cause litter in or upon any street, sidewalk or other public place within the Town except in public receptacles or in authorized private receptacles for collection.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17)

Section 6.4 Placement of Litter in Receptacles So As To Prevent Scattering

Persons placing litter in public receptacles or in private receptacles as provided in Section 6.3 shall do so in such a manner as to prevent it from being carried or deposited by the elements upon any street, sidewalk or other public place or upon private property.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17)

Section 6.5 Sweeping Litter Into Public Space Prohibited

No person shall sweep into or deposit in any street or other public place within the Town the accumulation of litter from any building or lot or from any public or private sidewalk or driveway. Persons owning or occupying property shall keep the sidewalk abutting their lot free of litter.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)

Section 6.6 Merchants' Duty to Keep Sidewalks Free of Litter

No person owning or occupying a place of business shall sweep into or deposit in any street, sidewalk or other public place within the Town the accumulation of litter from any building or lot or from any public or private sidewalk or driveway. Persons owning or occupying places of business within the Town shall keep the sidewalk abutting lot free of litter.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)

Section 6.7 Litter Thrown by Persons in Vehicles

No person, while a driver or passenger in a vehicle, shall throw or deposit litter upon any street or other public place within the Town, or upon private property.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17)

Section 6.8 Truckloads Causing Litter

No person shall drive or move any truck or other vehicle within the Town unless such vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent any load, contents or litter from being blown or deposited upon any street; alley or other public place.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17)

Section 6.9 Litter in Parks

No person shall throw or deposit litter in any park within the Town except in public receptacles and in such a manner that the litter will be prevented from being carried or deposited by the elements upon any part of the park or upon any street or other public place. Where public receptacles are not provided all such litter shall be carried away from the park by the person responsible for its presence and properly disposed of elsewhere as provided herein.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17)

Section 6.10 Litter in Lakes and Fountains

No person shall throw or deposit litter in any fountain, pond, or any other body of water in a park or elsewhere within the Town.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17)

Section 6.11 Litter on Private Property

No person shall throw or deposit litter on any private property within the Town, whether owned by such person or not, except that the owner or person in control of private property may maintain authorized private receptacles for collection in such a manner that litter will be prevented from being carried or deposited by the elements upon any street, sidewalk or other public place or upon any private property.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)

Section 6.12 Owner to Maintain Lot Free of Litter

The owner or person in control of any lot shall at all times maintain the lot free of litter. Provided, however, that this section shall not prohibit the storage of litter in authorized private receptacles for collection, or in rodent-proof containers for composting.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)

Section 6.13 (Reserved)

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)

Section 6.14 (Reserved)

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)

Section 6.15 Penalties

Any person violating any of the provisions of this Article shall be subject to the penalties and remedies stipulated under Article 21.

(Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-01, effective 6/3/18)