

Redford Township – Tree Ordinance

Chapter 90 VEGETATION*

***Cross references:** Nuisances, § 38-26 et seq.

Sec. 90-1. Unlawful to permit dense growth.

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Sec. 90-1. Unlawful to permit dense growth.

It shall be unlawful for the owner or occupant or any person or persons, firm or corporation in charge of any lot or parcel of land within the township to permit or allow to grow thereon any grass, weeds, shrubbery or **trees** which, because of height or density, shall constitute a public hazard to pedestrians, drivers of motor vehicles or other persons while engaged in the lawful use of the sidewalks, roads, or streets in the township. In all such locations, grass shall not exceed six inches in height, shrubbery shall not exceed 24 inches in height, weeds shall not exceed six inches in height, and tree limbs shall not hang lower than six feet above ground level.

(Ord. No. 149, § 1, 8-8-66; Ord. No. 149-A, 3-22-05)

Sec. 90-2. Public nuisance.

Presence of such grass, weeds, shrubbery or **trees**, as described in section 90-1, upon any lot or parcel of land within the township is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and inimical to public safety.

(Ord. No. 149, § 2, 8-8-66; Ord. No. 149-A, 3-22-05)

Sec. 90-3. Scope of duty of owner or agent.

It shall be the duty of any owner or occupant of land or person in charge of any lands within the township upon which any grass, weeds, shrubbery or **trees** are growing or standing in such height or density as to constitute a public hazard to pedestrians, drivers of motor vehicles or other persons to cut, trim or destroy the same in a manner and to an extent that the public hazard caused thereby shall be eliminated.

(Ord. No. 149, § 3, 8-8-66; Ord. No. 149-A, 3-22-05)

Sec. 90-4. Penalty.

(a) Any person who shall violate any provision of this chapter shall be deemed responsible for a municipal civil infraction, and upon an admission of, or a finding of responsibility, shall be punished by a fine to be passed by resolution of the township board of trustees, from time to time, and posted in the municipal civil infraction bureau. The imposition of one penalty for any violation shall not excuse the violation or permit it to continue; and all such persons shall be required to correct or remedy such conditions within a reasonable time; and when not otherwise specified, each ten days that prohibited conditions are maintained shall constitute a separate offense.

(b) The application of the above penalties shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions.

(Ord. No. 149, § 4, 8-8-66; Ord. No. 149-A, 3-22-05)