

Chapter 66

BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS

§ 66-1. Restrictions; nuisance.

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§ 66-4. Violations and penalties.

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Westfield 11-14-1960 by Ord. No. 146. Amendments noted where applicable.]

§ 66-1. Restrictions; nuisance.

No person, firm or corporation owning or occupying any property within the Borough of Westfield, Tioga County, Pennsylvania, shall permit any grass or weeds or any vegetation whatsoever not edible or planted for some useful or ornamental purpose to grow or remain upon such premises so as to exceed a height of six inches or to throw off any unpleasant or noxious odor or to conceal any filthy deposit or to create or produce pollen. Any grass, weeds or other vegetation growing upon any premises in the Borough in violation of any of the provisions of this section is hereby declared to be a nuisance and detrimental to the health, safety, cleanliness and comfort of the inhabitants of the Borough.

§ 66-2. Duties of owner or occupant.

The owner of any premises, as to vacant premises or premises occupied by the owner, and the occupant thereof, in case of premises occupied by other than the owner thereof, shall remove, trim or cut all grass, weeds or other vegetation growing or remaining upon such premises in violation of the provisions of § 66-1.

§ 66-3. Removal; notice.

The Borough Council or any officer or employee of the Borough designated thereby for the purpose is hereby authorized to give notice, by personal service or by United States Mail, to the owner or occupant, as the case may be, of any premises whereon grass, weeds or other vegetation is growing or remaining in violation of the provisions of § 66-1, directing and requiring such occupant to remove, trim or cut such grass, weeds or vegetation so as to conform to the requirements of this chapter within five days after issuance of such notice. In case any person, firm or corporation shall neglect, fail or refuse to comply with such notice within the period of time stated therein, the Borough authorities may remove, trim or cut such grass, weeds or vegetation, and the cost thereof, together with any additional penalty authorized by the law, may be collected by the Borough from such person, firm or corporation in the manner provided by law.

§ 66-4. Violations and penalties. [Amended 8-13-2003 by Ord. No. 289]

Any person, firm or corporation who or which shall violate or fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced

to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 and costs of prosecution. Each day's violation shall constitute a separate offense, and notice to the offender shall not be necessary in order to constitute an offense.